



## Professional Pilot Technology (2258) | A.S. Degree

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Professional Pilot Technology Associate in Science (A.S.) degree prepares graduates for a career as a commercial pilot, flying for business, charter, cargo or the airlines. FSCJ offers the lowest tuition in the area, has bridge programs with regional airlines and allows maximum use of 9/11 GI Bill benefits.

Upon completion, graduates will have earned their commercial pilot licenses – for both single- and multi-engine aircraft – with an Instrument Rating. Additionally, students may become certified flight instructors through elective courses.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- High school diploma or high school equivalent
- Prior to beginning flight lessons, students must obtain:
  - An FAA student pilot license;
  - An FAA medical (2nd Class required for GI Bill students); and
  - Proof of U.S. citizenship or TSA Authorization for flight training.
- Due to the high cost of flight training, students are encouraged to have funding source(s) in place before beginning flight lessons.
- Check the catalog to learn about all course and program prerequisites

***FSCJ's Professional Pilot Technology degree is FAA-approved for the Restricted Airline Transport Pilot (R-ATP) certification at 1,250 flight hours.***

### AT-A-GLANCE

- 64 Credit Hours
- Financial Aid Eligible
- GI Bill Eligible
- Face-to-Face Courses

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Apply online at [fscj.edu/admissions](https://fscj.edu/admissions).

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### When can I start?

FSCJ enrolls students year-round.

### Where are the educational courses held?

General education courses are offered at any of FSCJ's campuses and centers, as well as online. The aviation courses and flight training are offered at FSCJ Cecil Center.

### What is the cost of the program?

Many students attending FSCJ qualify for financial aid, which can help lower costs. This program is financial aid eligible. *The minimum cost of tuition and fees, including the Certified Flight Instructor elective courses is \$44,648.\**

Earning the Private Pilot license and FAA testing fees for the program add approximately \$10,700. Additionally, typical students will need supplemental training beyond the FAA-minimum hours. *The approximate total cost for tuition, fees, Private Pilot license, extra flight hours and FAA-testing is \$63,000.*

*\*Tuition reflects Florida resident rates and are subject to change. Certain classes that require labs may have additional fees for lab supplies. Additional fees are published in the class schedule.*

### Can I use my GI Bill?

The program is VA-approved and will cover the \$44,648 of tuition and fees. The VA does not cover the Private Pilot license or the additional flight hours mentioned above, so Veterans can expect to spend approximately \$18,300 to complete the program.

### What pilot certifications will I earn?

To complete the degree, students must earn Private Pilot, Instrument Rating, Commercial Pilot single-engine and Commercial Pilot multi-engine certifications. Students may also earn Certified Flight Instructor as an elective.

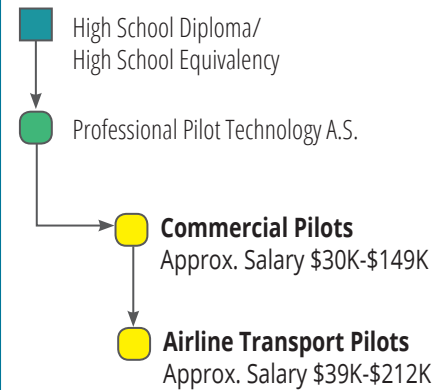
### What other programs are related to the field?

Students who have an interest in the Professional Pilot Technology (A.S.) may also be interested in the Aviation Administration (A.S.)

### Where can I get more information about potential careers?

Pilot jobs are available nationally. For wage data, career paths and market trends, visit [fscj.emsicareercoach.com](http://fscj.emsicareercoach.com).

## CAREER PATHWAY



Expected salaries by area and occupation may be found at [bls.gov](http://bls.gov)