

# Academic Credit

Northwest Aviation College operates on a quarterly academic system. Note: 50 minutes of instruction with a 10-minute break is considered 1 clock hour. Clock hour to credit hour conversion formula is as follows:

## Quarter Credits

- 10 Classroom or contact hours = 1 quarter credit hour. (Contact = one on one with an instructor either in the classroom or in the airplane, 10/1 ratio).
- 25 Laboratory work hours = 1 quarter credit hour. (Laboratory = supervised hands on activities either in the classroom or in the airplane, i.e. supervised solo flight, planned lab experiments etc. 25/1 ration).
- 30 Intern/Externship work hours = 1 quarter credit hour. (30/1 ratio).

Additional information regarding clock hour to credit hour conversion may be obtained from your academic advisor.

## Sources of Academic Credit

- **College Level Examination Program**

Northwest Aviation College recognizes that many students have obtained knowledge in subject areas outside the classroom. Credit for this non-traditional learning may be granted by successfully completing CLEP or challenge exams.

- **Credit for Flight Certificates**

A maximum of 60 credits may be granted from flight certificates. To obtain credit for these certifications, the student should contact the Director of Education.

If a student has obtained airmen certificates issued by the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration, credit may be granted for those certificates, provided a copy of the certificate is submitted to the college.

To ensure the quality of the pilots graduating from the various programs, credit awarded based on submitted pilot and/or flight instructor certificates, will be at the discretion of the Director of Education and Chief Flight Instructor.

- **Military Service Credit**

Credit for military schools will be granted as per the ACE Guide (American Council on Education). To obtain credit, the student's official military education transcript, SMART, AARTS, etc. must be submitted to the schools administration office.

### **Transfer Credit**

Credit for course work from other colleges and universities may be granted at the discretion of the registrar. To obtain transfer credit, students must request an official transcript from each college and/or university attended, to be sent directly to Northwest Aviation College for evaluation. Credit completed more than 10 years before the date of enrollment may not be transferrable. The Director of Education can waive this requirement if it can be determined that the student still possesses sufficient knowledge in the subject requested for transfer. The student must have passed the courses with an equivalent of a grade of “C” or better.

### **Transferability of Credit**

Northwest Aviation College will make available in transcript form, all course work completed at this institution. Students should be aware that each college and university has policies regarding the award of transfer credit. Therefore, transferability should never be assumed. Students should contact the receiving institution to determine if credits earned at Northwest Aviation College are transferable into a specific degree program. The student’s academic advisor may also help with questions on transfer credit. Northwest Aviation College recognizes students’ right to privacy and will release transcripts only by written authorization from the student.