

Flight Training Practice in Australia and in the United Kingdom

The Hong Kong Flight Training Centre (HKFTC) is organizing flight training practice in Australia and the United Kingdom several times a year. The training programmes are run in collaboration with the Adelaide Flight Training Centre (AFTC) and the Redcliffe Aero Club (RAC) in Australia, and the West London Aero Club (WLAC) in the United Kingdom. The flight training practices are designed for students who have completed the theory and simulation parts of the relevant module jointly provided by HKFTC and HKU SPACE in Hong Kong.

All flight training practice trips are purposely arranged with locations of training and times of the year carefully chosen. All of our flight training practice trips are organized in small groups with maximum number of 15 students in each group. We aim at providing maximum benefits to our students and help them to get the most out of the training during their stay overseas. As we are providing a one-stop service, HKFTC will take care of everything once you are in Australia or in the U.K. This includes airport pickup, all local transportation, accommodation and catering, training materials, and most important the booking of aircraft and instructor. We shall monitor your learning progress closely and provide advice and assistance when required.



Adelaide Flight Training Centre (AFTC)

Situated in Adelaide, the capital city of the South Australia State, Adelaide Flight Training Centre (AFTC) and its parent flight training school Flight Training Adelaide (FTA) are the cradles of many professional pilots in Australia as well as in Hong Kong. It is also the school where the cadet pilots of Cathay Pacific Airways, Cathay Dragon and the Government Flying Service are trained. Students choose to be trained at AFTC will be receiving the same standard of training as the airline cadets. Our students are also allowed to get access to the resources centre and other facilities within the campus. On-site accommodation and catering service will be arranged for students to experience the life as a cadet pilot. All aircraft used for the training are well maintained directly under the in-house maintenance department of the flying school. AFTC operates a fleet of Diamond DA40 and DA42 aircraft and students with the HKFTC programme are guaranteed to have their training using DA40 aircraft.



■ Flying Instructors

All flying instructors at AFTC have gained flight instructor qualifications issued by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) of the Australian Government. They are well-trained, highly skillful and enthusiastic about flying training.



■ Aircraft Type

Training will be conducted on Diamond DA40 single engine, propeller driven low-wing light aircraft. The DA40 is made from composite material and equipped with a reliable Lycoming engine plus the state-of-art Garmin G1000 integrated flight instrument system. It is also the same aircraft used by the airline cadet pilots to do their flight training.





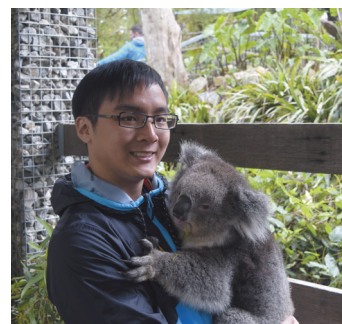
■ **Accommodation** and Catering

On-site accommodation and catering service will be arranged for students to experience the life as a cadet pilot. Students will be staying at 4-bedroom apartments with shared bathroom/toilet facilities and a sitting room. Free laundry service and wireless Internet access are available to students. There is also a basketball court, a tennis court and a swimming pool available within the campus. All meals with drinks and fruits, served in a buffet style, are provided at the mess of the training centre daily.



■ **Recreational** Activities

If all flight training practices can be completed on schedule, arrangements will be made for students to visit Parafield air traffic control tower and FTA's maintenance workshop. Arrangement may also be made to visit local attractions such as Barossa winery, wildlife park, and villages near Adelaide during the weekends.



Redcliffe Aero Club (RAC)

RAC is located at Redcliffe airfield and Redcliffe is one of the suburbs about 30 km north-east of Brisbane in the State of Queensland. “Sunshine State” is the nickname for Queensland and it is famous for its beautiful weather especially in the winter time. You will see a clear blue sky, which is important for flying training, when you wake up in the morning everyday! Established in 1970, RAC is an exceptionally well-organized flying club with a high standard team of flight instructors and aircraft fleet. Over the years, RAC has a proud record of achievement with many students successfully participated in the field of aviation as pilots. Redcliffe airfield is a CTAF airfield which can provide a more efficient operation in terms of airspace clearance and radio procedures. The training area associates with Redcliffe is only a few minutes flying north of the airfield along the beautiful Moreton Bay region. Students may enjoy the scenic routes of the Sunshine Coast when they are having their flying training.



■ **Flying** Instructors

All flying instructors at RAC have gained flight instructor qualifications issued by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) of the Australian Government. All of them are full-time, well trained and experienced professionals with enthusiastic about flying training.

■ **Aircraft** Type

RAC operates a fleet of modern training aircraft. Our training will be conducted on US made Cessna C172 model which is a single engine, propeller driven, high-wing light aircraft with both traditional analogue cockpit and Garmin G1000 glass cockpit. Equipped with a 180 horse power Lycoming engine, the Cessna C172 is a robust, reliable and safe aircraft and is the most successful and popular training aircraft built in history.

■ **Accommodation** and Catering

Students will be staying at large and comfortable serviced apartments in a beautiful seaside hotel located on the eastern point of the Redcliffe peninsula. Each of the 2-bedroom apartments can accommodate 4 students with 2 bathrooms, a sitting room, an open pantry and laundry facilities. Self-catering breakfast items will be provided at the serviced apartment while dinner will be provided by local restaurants. There will be fruits, juice and snacks provided to students during the trip.

■ **Recreational** Activities

If all flight training practices can be completed on schedule, arrangements will be made for students to visit local attractions such as South Bank, Movie World, Glass House Mountains National Park or tropical rain forests near Brisbane, Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast areas during the weekends. As well as enjoying the flight training in the sky, you may also enjoy the time feeding the pelicans or PYO at strawberry fields!





West London Aero Club (WLAC)

If you wish to learn to fly with a sense of British atmosphere and culture, then West London Aero Club is the choice. WLAC is located at White Waltham Airfield near Windsor which is one of the suburbs of Berkshire in south-east England. The airfield was first setup in 1928 and was the home of Air Transport Auxiliary during the Second World War from 1940 to 1945. The airfield stayed under Royal Air Force (RAF) control until 1982. Being the largest grass airfield in civilian use in Europe, WLAC has a long history of teaching people to fly. All flying instructors at WLAC have gained flight instructor qualifications issued by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) of the British Government and are very experienced in flight training. Some of them are current and retired airline pilots with extensive flying experience in jet aircraft.



■ Aircraft Type

Training will be conducted on Piper PA28 Warrior single engine, propeller driven low-wing light aircraft. The PA28 represents one of the most popular training aircraft used worldwide today.

■ Accommodation and Catering

Students will be staying at the traditional English bed and breakfast (B&B) or local hotel with shared bathroom. Continental breakfast will be provided in the morning while pub lunch at the Club in the afternoon. We shall visit a variety of decent local restaurants of English, French, Italian and Chinese styles for dinner in the evening.

■ Recreational Activities

If the flight training practice can be completed on schedule, arrangements will be made for students to visit local attractions such as the Royal Air Force Museum, Oxford Township, Bicester Village Outlet and Henley-on-Thames.



Programme Leader

Programme leaders from HKFTC will be staying with the students throughout the entire training period to monitor their training progress and to attend to their daily needs. All programme leaders joining the flight training trips are licensed pilots and most of them are current airline pilots with major airlines. Should there be any difficulties or hurdles encountered during your flight training, we always have professional people to provide advice and assistance.

Insurance Matter

All students joining the flight training trips are covered by medical and travel insurance during their training period in Australia and the U.K. They are also covered by third party insurance during their flight training at Adelaide Flight Training Centre, Redcliffe Aero Club and West London Aero Club.

Refund Policy

The successful completion of the required flight training is subjected to several key factors, among which weather conditions being the most critical one. HKFTC and our partners overseas reserve the right to cancel flying lessons due to adverse weather conditions or any other reasons based on professional judgement. Students will receive partial refund for the uncompleted flying lessons after deducting a small amount of administration fee.



Summary of Flying Training in Australia and the United Kingdom

	Australia Base Adelaide Flight Training Centre	Australia Base Redcliffe Aero Club	U.K. Base West London Aero Club
Airfield	Parafield (YPPF) in Adelaide Class D Airspace	Redcliffe (YRED) in Brisbane CTAF Airspace	White Waltham Airfield (EGLM) Berkshire, England
Runway	03/21 L&R 08/26 L&R 2 pairs of parallel runway	07/25 Asphalt runway	21L/03L, 25L/07R, 29R/11L All grass runways
Traffic	Fixed-wing, Helicopter, Private Jet	Fixed-wing, Helicopter	Fixed-wing, Helicopter
Weather	Very good in autumn (Mar) A bit hot in early summer (Nov) Cold & rainy in winter	Excellent in winter (Jun-Jul)	Typical British weather - unpredictable!
Aircraft	Diamond DA40 w/G1000 cockpit	Cessna C172SP w/analogue cockpit Cessna C172SP w/G1000 cockpit	Piper PA28 Warrior w/analogue cockpit
1st Solo Flight Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appropriate flying training• Aviation Reference Number (ARN)• Class II medical certificate• ICAO English assessment• In-house written & oral test	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appropriate flying training• Aviation Reference Number (ARN)• Aviation Identification (AVID)• Class II medical certificate• ICAO English assessment• In-house written & oral test	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appropriate flying training• Class II medical certificate• Air Law theory exam
PPL Exam	One integrated exam paper + R/T + oral		9 exam papers + R/T + oral