



Memo

To: Randy Smith, Vice Provost for Academic Programs, Office of Academic Affairs
From: Cory Matyas, Assistant Dean for Curriculum and Assessment
Date: April 22, 2026
Re: Informational Item - Aviation Minor Update

The Engineering College Committee on Academic Affairs met on April 22, 2026 and reviewed an informational update from the Center for Aviation Studies concerning proposed elective options for the Aviation minor.

The update adds **ENGR 5797.25, 5797.27, and 5797.28** as elective options, reflecting aviation-focused study abroad experiences coordinated by the Center for Aviation Studies in partnership with the Office of International Affairs. These additions broaden experiential learning opportunities while maintaining the existing structure and credit requirements of the minor.

There were no questions or concerns raised during the review. A college-level record of support for this proposal was created.



April 7, 2026

SUBJECT: Aviation Minor Program Update

PROPOSAL: The Center for Aviation Studies, as steward of Aviation-related curriculum across the College of Engineering, College of Arts and Sciences, and Fisher College of Business, has some changes which it wishes to note, in relation to the aviation minor program:

- 1) Add ENGR 5797.25, 5797.27 and 5797.28 as elective options in AVIATIO-MN

BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE:

- 1) ENGR 5797.25, 5797.27 and 5797.28 are study abroad courses for aviation study abroad opportunities. Although not AVIATN courses, these courses and study abroad opportunities are taught and coordinated by the Center for Aviation Studies in partnership with the Office of International Affairs. They combine professional site visits, cultural exploration, and experiential learning in some of the world’s most exciting aviation hubs.

| Current Requirements (15-17 hrs) | Proposed Requirements (15-17 hrs) |
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| AVIATN 2000 (3 hrs) AVIATN 2100 (5 hrs) or AVIATN 2150 (3 hrs) Electives (9 hrs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any 2000, 3000, 4000, or 5000 level Aviation course | AVIATN 2000 (3 hrs) AVIATN 2100 (5 hrs) or AVIATN 2150 (3 hrs) Electives (9 hrs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any 2000, 3000, 4000, or 5000 level Aviation course • ENGR 5797.25, 5797.27 or 5797.28 |

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