Our Alumni Success Story: Indian Graduates
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WHY STUDY WITH BASAIR?

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With over 17 years of experience in training customers to the highest standard, we graduate successful students every month.

We have graduated hundreds of Indian alumni who are now flying in all major Indian airlines, charter operators, business jets and flying schools.

"Australia is a great place to fly and to learn to fly with excellent flying weather most of the year round. Australians are very friendly and warm people. The staff and instructors at Basair are a great example of this. Basair Aviation College gave me the foundation to start my flying career and I now enjoy working with Jet Airways, one if India’s top private airlines on their B737NG fleet."

- Travis Rodricks (Diploma of Aviation)

Aditya Kothari
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
DOMESTIC AIRLINES: SpiceJet - First Officer

Aditya completed his Certificate IV in Aviation at the Bankstown campus, and has commenced working at SpiceJet as a First Officer on a Boeing 737.

"Basair Aviation College provided me the opportunity to study at their highly recognised college and to receive high quality education which provided me with skills, knowledge and preparation for the work force.

Basair Aviation College has a great reputation in India. I had seen their alumni list and saw hundreds of students that became successful pilots. The theory and flight training provided by Basair Aviation College set itself apart from many other schools, with Basair I started flying on my second day at college. The college provides students the best experience in flight training by combining theory in a comprehensive course structure.

The training I received prepared me for my career today. I am very fortunate to have such a great job and as per the famous saying "the sky is my office".

What I love about being a pilot is firstly the aircraft and all it’s mechanics and technicalities – it is a majestic machine which has changed the way the world operates. Flying passengers to their favorite destinations is very rewarding, no two days are alike – there are always challenges and I look forward to that."
Neel Khokhani
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence), Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations) and Diploma of Aviation (Flight Instructor Rating)
BUSINESS OWNER: Soar Aviation - CEO and Pilot

Neel was a determined student, who completed his Certificate IV in Aviation, Diploma of Aviation and Advanced Diploma of Aviation (Flight Instructor) all within 14 months of starting.

After graduating, Neel worked as an instructor in Melbourne. He gained a lot of experience in the role, and then founded his own flying school - Soar Aviation.

"Basair Aviation College provided me the opportunity to kick start my dreams and career. I love flying and teaching students. It doesn't get any better than this! The training I received was provided by experienced industry professionals, that share the same passion and enthusiasm for aviation.

What I love most about my job is that I have created a company that is consistent with my personal values and philosophy. The team at Soar Aviation are customer focused, work hard and have a “can do” attitude. We have made learning to fly a reality for hundreds of customers who never thought it was possible.

I love that we have helped so many satisfied customers take the controls of an aircraft and realise their dreams of aviation. This is one of the most rewarding aspects of the industry and what we work hard for every day. I have had to take some risks along the way, but each decision has made the company stronger.

Kanak Chandramohan
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence)
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
DOMESTIC AIRLINES: IndiGo - Captain

Kanak graduated with a Certificate IV in Aviation and a Diploma of Aviation. He received a job offer from IndiGo within a month of converting his licence. He was with IndiGo for 3 years, when at the age of 23 he was promoted to Captain.

"What I love about my job is the freedom. I love seeing the city lights when I am landing, it reminds me every time of how amazing aviation is and how lucky I am to have the greatest job in the world.

To get involved in aviation you must have a passion and a drive as it can sometimes be a long road to the top but the journey is what makes it worthwhile. I am constantly learning and updating my skills to make sure I provide my employer, staff and passengers with the ultimate experience.

Basair Aviation College focuses on providing the highest quality of theory and flight training with their sights on students receiving the best exam results to assist with their employability. I studied very hard to increase my knowledge and understood that even though aviation is an exciting and fun career we pilots have a very important responsibility to undertake and I wanted to make sure I had the right tools to carry out my profession to the highest standard.

I recommend students to Basair Aviation College even though currently the economy is serving other countries with cheaper flight training. However, quality and world class education is what you pay for at Basair Aviation College. I would not have succeeded with my current role if I did not decide to apply. I love my job and look forward to many more experiences within my career and industry."
Priyanka Manuja
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence)
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
GENERAL AVIATION - SEAPLANES: MEHAIR- Captain

"What I like about my job is the fact that I am India’s only female seaplane captain. My achievements have made my parents really proud. What really brings a smile to my face, is the enjoyment and satisfaction my passengers get when they disembark. The gratitude expressed by them towards me absolutely makes my day. Taking off and landing in water is a challenging and thrilling experience. Every day is a new challenge, and it’s sure frosting on the cake when I get to fly to beautiful islands with the exotic and serene beaches.

Studying at the Basair Aviation College opened doors for my career that I never imagined possible. The quality in education, the instructor’s expertise, the comprehensive theory and flight structure along with their warm and welcoming environment made my time in Australia very enjoyable."

Vikram Rana
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence)
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
DOMESTIC AIRLINES: IndiGo - First Officer

Vikram graduated with a Certificate IV in Aviation and a Diploma of Aviation, and is now a First Officer with IndiGo.

Flying is something I always wanted to and Basair Aviation College gave me the best foundation I could of asked for. Australia is a lovely environment, very multi-cultural, relaxed and welcoming. Moving to Australia was not an easy decision – having to leave family and friends behind was a difficult decision, but it turned out to be the best and most important decision of my career upto that point.

The experienced instructors and lecturers provided me with knowledge and skills that allowed me to exceed my own expectations, cross any hurdles and reach my personal and professional goals. The courses are structured by combining theory and flight on a daily basis, what you learn about in the text book you perform in the aircraft - this provided me with more confidence.

Throughout my studies I have met many friends from different cultures and walks of life – we all had one thing in common – our passion for aviation.

I love my job as it is not a typical role, I operate a large aircraft and fly hundreds of passengers to their desired location. It allows me to also travel and see different cities, create new memories and explore new boundaries. I am continually motivated and want to deliver the best service as a pilot. My advice is to just give 110% of yourself for what you love and results will follow.
Edward Rodricks
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence), Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations) and Diploma of Aviation (Flight Instructor Rating)
FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR: Basair Aviation College - Grade 1 Flight Instructor

Edward is a passionate aviation enthusiast having being inspired as a young teenager he always knew being a pilot was his calling.

Edward came to Basair as an International student from India and enrolled into Certificate IV in Aviation. He completed his CPL within 9 months. He then enrolled into Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations) which he successfully completed and commenced further studies for the Diploma of Aviation (Flight Instructor).

Today, Edward has worked his way from Grade III instructor to a respected Grade I instructor and is also teaching Diploma of Aviation (Flight Instructor) course and passing on his knowledge to other aviation enthusiasts.

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"I joined Basair Aviation College as a student, completing my CPL and Flight Instructor Rating courses. I was then recruited as an instructor, and Basair sponsored my 457 Visa.

I wanted to travel around Australia, and becoming a qualified instructor has been a great way to do that; I have worked in New South Wales, Western Australia and I now work in Victoria. Schools are always looking for experienced instructors, and I have found work quite easy to come by.

I have enjoyed General Aviation, and I hope to create a career in this area. Soon I hope to apply to become a CASA Authorised Testing Officer (ATO) and one day I would like to be a Chief Flying Instructor."

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Ramesh Kumar
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence)
SINGLE ENGINE CHARTER PILOT: Aerostate Ltd

"I am currently flying a Cessna Grand Caravan (C208B) for Aerostate Ltd, and I am also the head of Operations. I love flying in General Aviation, as there is far more autonomy in the role. Although the aircraft has a “glass cockpit” and full autopilot, I think I do a lot more stick-and-rudder work than if I was in an airline. I also regularly fly the same aircraft, so I am involved in maintaining the aircraft and always talk to the engineers about the maintenance cycle, which I find interesting.

I also like that I fly into small airstrips that are inaccessible to larger aircraft - so my flying skills are constantly challenged and the job has made me a better pilot.

General Aviation is growing rapidly in India, and there will be more jobs available in this sector in the future. General Aviation roles also give you the chance to live a more balanced life, as I am typically home with my family at the end of the day."

Vamsi Goud
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence)
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
GENERAL AVIATION - SEAPLANES: Maritime Energy Heli Air Services

Vamsi was one of the first two Indian nationals to become a seaplane pilot.

"I fly a Cessna Caravan c280 amphibian in Andaman Islands. It is a fantastic job, and an excellent lifestyle. There is a lot of potential for more seaplane operators in India, and I am sure that it will be a growing market over the next decade. For newly qualified pilots, it is a fantastic first step.

The experience you gain can also lead to jobs in airlines, if you decide to pursue that path."
Austine Paul
Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Licence)
GENERAL AVIATION: Joy Jets - Co-pilot

"After I completed my flight training, I worked as an instructor. I worked in America and then India, and taught hundreds of students in their first steps on a career in aviation.

Being an instructor improved my flying and also my teaching and coaching skills. It is certainly harder to teach than to do, but it was very rewarding.

After several years of instructing, I was offered a job to fly business jets. I now fly a Phenom 100, which is in the Very Light Jet category and manufactured by Embraer.

I prefer the lifestyle and autonomy that comes with flying a business jet, compared to an airline; there is more variety with destinations and more hand-flying. I am part of a small team, and it is a great lifestyle."

Nakul Damle
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
INTERNATIONAL CAPTAIN: IndiGo - First Officer

"I graduated from Basair Aviation College in 2007 and I got my licence converted in well less than a year. It normally takes around 6-8 months to convert your licence if you clear the exams in the first attempt.

Airline recruitment is very tough, as they have a good process to select the best candidates. It usually starts with a written test comprising of the CPL / ATPL subjects followed by a psychometric test, an interview and then a SIM check.

I was selected as an Airbus cadet and hence the recruitment process was even tougher than normal with twice the number of tests. At the time, the airline sponsored all my training costs - however recently I have heard that some airlines expect the pilot to bear all the costs.

It took me a little over 5 years as a First Officer before I made Captain. I fly to most tier 1 and tier 2 metro cities in India, the Middle East (Dubai) & South East Asia (Bangkok and Singapore).

IndiGo has a fleet of 78 A320s and is now the largest airline in India in terms of market share. There are roughly 900 pilots in the company and we have a confirmed order of 280 A320s, of which roughly 98 are currently being delivered. With such rapid growth, it will mean there are more opportunities for pilots in the company."
Jaikanth Rajaram
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
MULTI ENGINE CHARTER PILOT: King Air - First Officer

"I fly for a large Indian industrial company, and I fly a Beechcraft King Air. The King Air is a fantastic aircraft to fly - and is the most popular turbo-prop general aviation aircraft in the world. The King Air is fast, travelling at up to 500 km/h, and a complex aircraft to fly. It is challenging, but very rewarding."

Aishwarya Kakkar
Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Flight Operations)
GENERAL AVIATION: Jet Airways - First Officer

"I started my flight training as soon as I finished High School. It was a bit of a challenge initially to take on such a male-dominated profession - however it has been very rewarding. I get many compliments from passengers, coworkers and friends.

I now fly a Boeing 737NG to Bangkok, Mumbai, Delhi and Chennai. The sound of the engine gives me a huge adrenaline rush and the beautiful sunrises and sunsets I see from my cockpit window makes me fall for flying every time. Even now, I always look up when I hear an aircraft overhead. It’s a dream profession - and I hope more women join aviation and be part of it.”
Basair Aviation College is the largest flying college in Australia, with a fleet of more than 60 aircraft and more than 40 professional flight instructors to help you achieve your goals.

With three campuses:
1. Bankstown Airport (Sydney region)
2. Cessnock Airport (Sydney region)
3. Archerfield Airport (Brisbane region)

We are ideally positioned with a campus to suit any need and to help those aspiring pilots gain their Commercial Pilot Licence on time and to the very highest standards - meaning you will be a highly employable pilot at the completion of your course.

How to apply for Archerfield Accommodation
There are three easy ways you can apply for our brand new accommodation facilities at Archerfield Airport;

1. Email accommodation@basair.edu.au
2. Fill out our online form at http://www.basair.com.au/Student/Content/Accommodation-Booking-Form
3. Call our Archerfield Campus on +61 7 3270 2400

Bankstown Airport provides the perfect location for professional pilot training. One of the busiest airports in the Southern Hemisphere, Bankstown provides an exciting and stimulating location for all forms of training.

Despite the bustling environment, Bankstown enjoys few delays (unlike Sydney airport), top quality facilities and a convenient location close to the City of Sydney. The use of three parallel runways ensures any traffic load is handled with ease. Proximity to the ‘training area’ where initial training is conducted is important, with this area commencing just 5km from the runway complex.

No time is wasted travelling to a distant training area, and the close proximity of Hoxton Park and Camden Airports provides added scope for airport usage.
ARCHERFIELD AIRPORT (QLD)

Archerfield Airport is a fantastic location for pilot training as it is Brisbane’s secondary airport and Queensland’s major centre for general aviation activities. With only about a 15 minute drive to Brisbane CBD it is of close proximity to the state’s major shopping malls, theatre attractions and major events!

Queensland is famous for its warm weather and clear skies, perfect for flying! The use of four parallel runways ensure any traffic load is handled with ease.

Basair Aviation College has a brand new modern building which offers the best comfort in student accommodation. It is located right in the heart of Archerfield Airport with a lookout deck which offers a 360 degree view of Archerfield Airport.

CESSNOCK AIRPORT (NSW)

Hunter Valley Airport, north of Sydney, is home to one of the largest pilot training areas in Australia, making it idyllic for professional pilot training. Students train in modern facilities in a relaxing, fun environment, offering all the comforts of a large city, without the distractions.

This makes Cessnock the ideal place for students to concentrate on study and accelerate their learning with the knowledge that they are only 90 minutes drive from Sydney. Cessnock is situated in the Hunter Valley, Australia’s oldest and one of it’s most well-known wine regions.

There is no shortage of choice with over 60 restaurants, 120 wineries, 160 accommodation venues and a vast range of activities and facilities for students to enjoy in this bustling region. Australia’s fifth largest city, Newcastle, is just 40 minutes away - offering an abundance of pristine beaches and facilities that students love.
Student Accommodation

Basair Archerfield Airport Campus in Queensland is an excellent choice if you are a student looking for accommodation that offers convenience, safety and security.

With budget pricing, modern and stylish decor located right in the heart of Archerfield Airport, you wouldn’t want to live anywhere else! Students can live and study at the airport, in a modern purpose-built facility.

All accommodation is self-catering, student share a large commercial kitchen, dining-room and recreational area with other students.

Room Types:
• Standard Room
• Deluxe Room
• Superior Room

Shared Facilities and Features
• 24 hour security
• All rooms carpeted and airconditioned for student comfort
• Broadband internet access in every student apartment
• Large commercial kitchen
• Kitchen cafeteria and dining area
• Coin operated laundry and Ironing facilities
• Games room/Recreational area
• Outdoor deck / BBQ entertaining area
• Lookout deck with a 360 degree view of Archerfield Airport

Please see our website for further information regarding accommodation http://www.basair.com.au/Student/Content/Archerfield-Accommodation

Student Accommodation Testimonials

Deepak Gupta
Certificate IV in Aviation and Diploma of Aviation, Basair Aviation College
GoAir - First Officer

“Living with other students is a fantastic part of being a full-time student overseas. I made a lot of friends through the shared accommodation - many of who are now flying for companies such as QANTAS, Virgin, Emirates, Cathay, Singapore and also many Indian airlines.

Friends help you study and provide support for the inevitable ups-and-downs of living in a new country and the stress of studying.

I would strongly recommend to anybody thinking of doing the course to live on-campus and enjoy the experience.”

Sunny Navlani
Certificate IV in Aviation and Diploma of Aviation, Basair Aviation College
Indigo Airlines - First Officer

“I made a lot of friends with students living at Basair accommodation. We played sport together, and enjoyed going out in the city.

But, we also studied hard together, and it was great to have other people around that were studying the same thing - it was more motivating.

I have made some life-long friends that are spread around the world. Fortunately, with jobs like ours we still get to meet up frequently!”

Priyanka Manuja
Certificate IV in Aviation and Diploma of Aviation, Basair Aviation College
MEHAIR - Seaplane Pilot

“Studying full time and away from your family can be a daunting thought but living on campus with Basair made studying that little bit easier. Having students around you that are going through the same thing is valuable as we can all support and lean on each other if we ever needed it. Basair student accommodation has so much to offer!”
BASAIR AVIATION COLLEGE COURSES

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Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Aeroplane Licence) AVI40108
CRICOS course code 066809B

The Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Aeroplane Licence) is designed for students that have never flown before, but want a career in aviation.

It is a full-time, 42-week course with compulsory attendance from Monday to Friday. There are 2 weeks of holidays during the 42 weeks.

Occasionally flights, briefings and assessments may occur outside of normal operating hours and attendance will be compulsory.

Basair Aviation College provides comprehensive theory instruction, as well as high-quality flight instruction, assisting students to pass theory exams swiftly.

Graduates will be prepared for the CASA Commercial Pilot Licence flight test, and their first steps in their aviation career.

The Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Aeroplane Licence) is a nationally recognised academic qualification.

Students must have completed a Class 1 medical and received an IELTS score of 6.0 assessment prior to the commencement of the course.

Diploma of Aviation - For CPL Holders (Instrument Rating) AVI50415
CRICOS course code 072600B

All of the training in this option is conducted in multi-engine aircraft and the simulator. Successful students will be awarded a Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Rating) which is a nationally recognised academic qualification.

For successful entry into Basair Aviation College, students must be over the age of 18 and already hold a CPL. Students must have completed a Class 1 medical and received an IELTS score of 6.0 assessment prior to the commencement of the course.

The Diploma of Aviation (Instrument Rating) has two entry paths: one for PPL holders and the other for CPL holders. However, the graduating outcomes are the same for both paths.

The CPL Holder option is a full-time course spanning 16 weeks from Monday to Friday, 8am - 5pm.

DGCA Requirements

Please visit www.dgca.nic.in for more information on DGCA requirements.

Student Enrolment Guide

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STEP 2: Certificate IV in Aviation
STEP 3: Diploma of Aviation
STEP 4: DGCA Conversion
STEP 5: Commence Employment
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