



### What is FlightSafety?

FlightSafety, the world's leading aviation training company, works diligently to maintain and enhance our reputation for customer service and the industry's best, most comprehensive safety training. They deliver more than a million hours of professional instruction each year to pilots, aircraft maintenance technicians, flight attendants, and flight dispatchers. FlightSafety trusts CABAA with finding them the best applicants possible and donates the cost of this award in its entirety.

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### What is CABAA?

Formed in 1998, CABAA, is a grassroots organization for business aircraft operators and their vendors to freely exchange information and expertise pertaining to all aspects of business aviation. We realize that business aircraft do not leave the ground without the help and support of a great many talented and dedicated individuals. CABAA is a broad consortium of people who engage in various aspects involved in the safe and efficient operation of corporate aircraft

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### **Award Details:**

One recipient will be awarded the Citation Sovereign Maintenance Initial course. This course is designed to meet the training requirements of aviation maintenance professionals maintaining Citation Sovereign aircraft. The retail value of this award is approximately \$18,000. The recipient of the award must be a college student who graduated with a degree in Aircraft Maintenance and holds a current A&P license. CABAA will also provide a \$1000 travel stipend to assist in the cost of travel; additional funds will be considered on a case by case basis.

The winner will be notified by phone and presented the award at the annual CABAA Golf Classic held in August 2019. The recipient's presence is required at the time of award presentation at the award presentations. CABAA and FlightSafety have teamed up to offer these awards to promote continuing professional development during a business aviation career. These awards are established to encourage all to reach the highest level of achievement in their aviation careers.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Applicant must complete and include the Scholarship Application Cover Page with the application.
- Applicant must be a college student who graduates the spring / summer 2019 or within the last five years (determined case by case) with a degree in Aviation and holds or will hold a current A&P Certificate.
- Applicant will demonstrate his/her commitment to aircraft maintenance, and a desire to work in the Business Aviation field.
- Must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0.
- An unofficial copy of their college transcript must be included with the application, an original shall be made available upon request.
- Essay Requirements: Applicant must submit a typed essay, double-spaced, maximum of 1,000 words on the following. "Why does a career in Business Aviation appeal to you, and how will you use this training award to further your career? How can CABAA better introduce Business Aviation to students in the future?" This essay should be constructed in a manner that allows the applicant to be creative and provide as much information as possible about themselves and their goals.
- Applicant must include at least three letters of recommendation. (Other than relatives or students)
- At least one recommendation letter must be from an individual currently involved in business aviation outside of professors from your school.
- The candidates may be required to participate in a face-to-face interview with the selection committee June or July 2019.
- Preference is given to Chicagoland/Illinois area residents and students, followed by residents and students of surrounding states.

# Why Should you Apply? Here is what previous winners are saying

## **Brian Zankowski—2013**

I received the CABAA/FlightSafety Professional Training Award in 2013. At the time I was going to school for my Masters in Finance from Lewis University and flying as a co pilot on King Air 350's for Blatti Aviation. CABAA and FlightSafety, citing my hard work and willingness to pay it forward, graciously allowed me to use the award to upgrade to a Captain position on the King Air 350. As a proud CABAA member, I was able to gain valuable experience as a part 135 King Air Captain. I am currently a Captain on the King Air 350 for Abbott Laboratories and volunteering on the CABAA Scholarship Committee. The support of CABAA, FlightSafety, Blatti Aviation, and many mentors along the way have proved invaluable for myself as a young person when I began my career. My advice is to do what it takes to turn your goals into reality, never be afraid to ask a question, always help the person next in line, and take as many opportunities to network as you can.

## **Mike Ban—2015**

I am an aircraft technician at the Milwaukee Cessna Citation Service Center. I am a graduate of Lewis University with a degree in Aviation Maintenance Management. I have won 3 CABAA scholarships: two financial awards and the Maintenance Training Award. Throughout college CABAA has been a very important resource to my success in corporate aviation. I've been to numerous CABAA events and have met many professionals in corporate aviation. Due to being a recipient of the Maintenance Training Award through FlightSafety, I worked with CABAA to have the school be in the citation Sovereign (our second largest aircraft in the citation fleet). After attending this incredible school and since starting at Textron Aviation a year ago, my understanding of the aircraft has been expanded. I have learned so much at the school and Textron, which may not have been possible without CABAA's scholarship. I would recommend anybody wanting to get into corporate aviation to either join CABAA or at least go to events to meet with people from the Chicago area. Another piece of advice is to get as much experience possible through volunteering, job shadowing, and summer internships. Everything counts. All in all CABAA is a great organization that helps young people every year get into corporate aviation and achieve their goals.

## **Scott Moran--2005**

In 2005, I was welcomed into the CABAA community while becoming the inaugural scholarship recipient. I was honored to have received the much-needed financial support. Support that has since been overshadowed by the relationships, mentoring and wisdom I have received over the last 12 years of being a CABAA member. Corporate aviation is a hidden destination that isn't found on the road map of high school or college counselors. The physical brick and mortar of many flight departments themselves, while well appointed are non-descript, secured facilities. To learn and become exposed to the industry, you almost need to seek an invitation. CABAA is that invitation that allows aspiring students to pursue their passion in corporate aviation. My connections with CABAA have helped me to succeed at Jen Air over the last 10 years in my role as a Pilot and Assistant Director of Operations.