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See Yourself Flying

Launch your career in aviation at Northern Helicopters, the only helicopter flight school in northern Minnesota.

You'll get one-on-one classroom and flight training right at the Chisholm-Hibbing Airport — plus the opportunity to earn a two-year associate degree in Helicopter Pilot Training from Hibbing Community College.

At Northern Helicopters, you can:

- Become a professional helicopter pilot
- Obtain a helicopter rating for pleasure
- Advance your career goals

Did you know?

- Flight controls work the same in EVERY type and size of helicopter.
- A helicopter can "glide" to a safe landing if the engine fails, because air continues to move up through the rotor blades. This provides lift, so the helicopter coasts to the ground at a constant rate, almost like a parachute.



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Meet Northern Helicopters

All flight training is provided at the Chisholm-Hibbing Airport under the guidance of Brian Johnson, Jim Martin or Corinne Martin. All three are commercial pilots who have flown for some of the country's major airlines.

You'll get access to their expertise, thorough training and hands-on experience with some of the industry's best technology.



Flight simulator view

Course options

Northern Helicopters' mission is simple: to make it easy for U.S. or foreign students to get behind the controls. We offer two flight instruction options to accomplish this mission.

15-month accelerated program

15-month program consists of a fall and spring semester, along with 2 summer sessions. Students earn all classroom and flight experience necessary to pass the Federal Aviation Administration's written and practical (flying) exams for helicopter licenses.

CLASS SIZE:

Kept small for individual attention.

CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION:

Lecture at the flight school, college or independent study. Some classes are available online.

FLIGHT SIMULATOR:

Our Flyte® simulator is FAA approved for rotorcraft (helicopter) flight training. It includes motion platforms and cockpits, a big-screen display system and desktop control panels to create a full range of virtual flight situations. Time can be applied to private (7.5 hours), instrument (20 hours) and commercial (25 hours) licenses.

FLIGHT HOURS:

Northern Helicopters uses Robinson helicopters for all flight instruction — the safest and most widely used helicopters in the industry. SkyScheduler allows students to schedule flight time when it is convenient for them.

2-year associate degree in Helicopter Pilot Training

Northern Helicopters is one of only 9 helicopter training programs in the United States that offer a two-year associate degree in Helicopter Pilot Training, made possible through our partnership with Hibbing Community College. Class size, instruction, flight simulator and flight hours are the same as the 15-month program.

In addition to obtaining a degree from an accredited institution, qualified students have access to financial aid and student housing. Our flight school offers ground and flight training for students who don't need a degree.

Available licenses

Northern Helicopters provides the classroom and flight training required to earn the following types of aviation licenses:

- Private helicopter pilot certificate
- Instrument rating — helicopter
- Commercial helicopter pilot certificate
- Certified flight instructor

ADD-ON LICENSES:

For people who already hold a fixed-wing pilot's license. These generally require fewer flight-hours.

- Private pilot add-on
- Commercial pilot add-on

100% Job Placement

FAA exam scheduling/assistance

CATS testing facility available for written knowledge test of all ratings.

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100% placement when student meets minimum criteria.

What does it cost?

Earning aviation licenses, including helicopter licenses, is an incremental process. To become a commercial pilot, for instance, you must first earn your private pilot's license. The costs listed below are the average total costs for each license.

These costs include classroom instruction and flight time provided by Northern Helicopters. Registration fees and any other applicable costs for Hibbing Community College are not included.

Private	\$9,500* - \$12,000
Instrument	\$6,000* - \$10,000
Commercial (includes private and commercial)	\$15,000* - \$19,000
Certified flight instructor (includes private, commercial and CFI)	\$3,000* - \$5,000
Total	\$35,500*
Private or Commercial add-on	\$7,000 - \$9,000

Various aid available through employers and government agencies.

*Minimum FAA hours

Cost comparison

Northern Helicopters \$35,500*
 Four-year Public University \$48,508
 Four-year Private University \$116,104
 University information from CNNMoney.com, 2005

Financial aid

Qualified students in HCC's associate degree program have access to financial aid, such as federal loans and grants, to help pay for tuition.

Scholarships and alternative financing are available to help pay for flight training. Information about companies that provide commercial loans for flight training is available on our Web site.

On the places you'll go

Your helicopter pilot license is the key to a great future, close to home or faraway.

Annual salary range: \$50,000 to \$150,000 — Salary depends on training, field and location.

- Law enforcement
- Military operations
- Traffic reporting
- Off-shore oil rig transport
- Air-ambulance hospital work
- Firefighting
- Aerial photography
- Crop spraying
- Search-and-rescue

What you need to get started

The requirements for a civilian pilot's license are within easy reach for just about everyone. Visit our Web site for more information.

- Simple math skills — to calculate helicopter weight and balance
- Generally good physical health
- Pass FAA second-class medical

Learn more

Set your career plan in motion today. Northern Helicopters welcomes traditional and non-traditional students. We're glad to answer your questions!

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