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## AVIATION CAREER TRACKS

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### 2017 NW AVIATION CAREER FORUM SCHEDULE - FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 | 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

8:00 AM **CHECK-IN OPENS** Parking FREE! Lot 1 Check-in at IN 2nd floor near entrance to receive badge

9:00 AM | **OPEN HOUSE & NETWORKING INTRODUCTION** Focusing on communication, networking and resource gathering, this forum is designed to offer individuals who may be new to the industry, or in a transition phase of their career, an opportunity for learning and networking. Excellent for those who are looking for inside information that may give them that competitive edge in the hiring process.

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Room A   South	Room B   Pioneer	Room C   Founders	Room D   Heritage	Room E   North	Keynote Area
<b>AVIATION EDUCATION: College Bound</b> <i>Rheanna Isakson, Jeni Borge, Jerry Kidrick, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University</i> Considering a Bachelor degree in aviation, aerospace, or engineering? Then this seminar is for you! Hosted by Embry-Riddle, the world's largest university specializing in aviation and aerospace, we will cover what you need to know about college admissions, scholarships, financing and more. ERAU will highlight in-demand programs, such as Engineering, Aeronautics and Unmanned Systems.	<b>AVIATION CAREERS: Pilot Careers &amp; Qualifications</b> <i>Brian Prang, Ian Mortensen, TacAero</i> Join us for a candid discussion on certificates, skill sets and training necessary to become employed and be successful in your aviation goals. Aviation professionals will share their journey and answer questions – what to avoid, challenges and victories.	<b>JOB READINESS WORKSHOP: Skills, Resumes and Social Media</b> <i>Joanne Lee, Workforce Readiness Director at Seattle SHRM</i> What are employers looking for in ideal candidates? Develop a resume that will generate results and stand out in today's job market. Use social media to find short cuts to online aviation job resources and to boost your professional presence.	<b>Military Aviation Careers</b> <i>Morgan Lawrence, Moderator</i> <i>Major Dan Arneson, US Air Force C-17 Pilot and Alaska Airlines FO</i> <i>2nd Lieutenant Emily Meyer, US Air Force ROTC, UW</i> Get straight answers about the military path to an aviation career. Forum speakers represent current military aviators, veterans, ROTC, recruiters and even civilian airline pilots who work with military pilots. This session will help you make the decision right for you and your goals and discuss the pros and cons.	<b>AVIATION MAINTENANCE: Maintenance Insights</b> <i>Patrick Murphy, Moderator</i> Considering a maintenance career? Currently training and wondering what's your next step? Learn which companies are hiring and what you can do now or in the future to be a superior job candidate. Discuss changes in regulations, working conditions, wages, industry projections and your long term goals in maintenance.	<b>AIRLINE PANEL: Regional Opportunities</b> <i>Gordon Alvord, Rainier Flight</i> We know the minimums, but what are regional airlines looking for in applicants? Hear it directly from representatives from attending airlines. Compare salaries, hiring incentives, benefits and flow through paths.

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM FORUM BREAK | Visit exhibitors

11:00 AM - 12:00 AM

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<b>AVIATION EDUCATION: Get Your Career Started Faster With Online Education</b> <i>Kyle Beebe, Charter College</i> This seminar will explore different online education options and how Charter College's accelerated Associate and Bachelor degree programs can help you achieve your aviation career goals faster than ever before!	<b>SEAPLANE CAREERS: Commercial Seaplane Flying: The Path Less Traveled</b> <i>Steve McCaughey, Seaplane Pilots Association</i> <i>John Gowey, Kenmore Air</i> Flying seaplanes can elevate your career path, and might even forever change your aspirations. There is an alternative to flying at flight levels on auto pilot for pilots looking for more real stick time in unique locations with interesting customers. Learn about the wonderful opportunities of flying seaplanes as a way to jump start your career and/or take it on the path less traveled.	<b>JOB READINESS: Application &amp; Interview Tips</b> <i>Joanne Lee, Workforce Readiness Director at Seattle SHRM</i> Sell your skills and abilities at the interview and find out if the job and company are right for you. Learn how to prepare for the job interview, how to display confidence and answer common interview questions.	<b>COMMERCIAL AVIATION: The Skies the Limit</b> <i>Morgan Lawrence, Moderator</i> <i>Tom Struck, Northwest Airlift</i> <i>Tom Bucholz, FAA, SEA Center Air Traffic; HR rep from Alaska Airlines</i> Get the most out of your current training to determine what ratings are necessary to transition to employment in maintenance and pilot careers with air ambulance, law enforcement, fire & utility flying as well as commercial air carriers.	<b>ROTOR CAREERS: Helicopter Pilot Careers</b> <i>Seth Hansen, Hillsboro Aero Academy</i> Interested in flying search and rescue or firefighting operations? The competition for these action-packed helicopter pilot jobs is tough. HAA explains how you can have the career you want and costs, certificates and qualifications necessary.	<b>ALASKA AIRLINES: Q &amp; A with Alaska Airlines Team</b> <i>John Swedburg, BBCC, Faculty Emeritus, Moderator; John Hornbrook, Alaska Airlines Chief Pilot; Forget the "airline gouge" – attend this session for an open discussion on hiring projections, future growth and pilot expectations.</i>

12:00 – 1:15 PM HOT BUFFET LUNCH SERVED | Visit exhibitors

1:15 P.M. - 2:15 PM

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<b>AVIATION EDUCATION: Choosing your Training Path</b> <i>Gordon Alvord, Rainier Flight</i> Local school or college? Part 61 or 141? This lively discussion will offer insight into this competitive industry and offer tips on how you can set yourself ahead of the crowd. Open Forum, Q/A.	<b>AVIATION MAINTENANCE: Optimize Your Employment</b> <i>Patrick Murphy, Moderator</i> Representatives from Embry-Riddle will discuss qualifications and training specific to long term employment. What is the right choice for you? It's not all about good income prospects – be confident in choices that are good for your life balance.	<b>AVIATION CAREERS: Getting &amp; Keeping the Job</b> <i>Joanne Lee, Workforce Readiness Director at Seattle SHRM</i> Now that you've had the opportunity to meet the airlines – what if they call you back? What to expect in the process, how to be most effective in your networking. How do you set yourself above all the other candidates and make the best impression.	<b>TRAINING OPPORTUNITY: Horizon/HAA Pilot Program</b> <i>Seth Hansen, Hillsboro Aero Academy</i> <i>Jessica Prince, Horizon Air</i> Through a unique partnership with HAA, Horizon has created a Pilot Development Program which offers \$7500 stipends to students to assist with flight training costs. Upon completion of their training, these students will receive a job offer from Horizon Air.	<b>AIRLINE CAREERS: Military to Airline Pilot</b> <i>Morgan Lawrence, Moderator</i> <i>Garin Tentschert, Alaska Airlines Chief Pilot; Carlos Zendejas, Alaska Airlines Chief Pilot; JP Thibodeau, Frontier Airlines Chief</i> Representatives will answer questions on hiring projections and what a competitive candidate can do to make the transition to a civilian air carrier. Open to non-military as well as active or veteran of all branches.	

Join us SAT, FEB 25 9:00 AM -5:30 PM | SUN, FEB 26 10:00AM - 4:00 | FREE Admission with Forum badge  
SATURDAY Schedule on REVERSE | Visit WWW. WASHINGTON-AVIATION.ORG

# Additional 2017 Career Sessions NW AVIATION CONFERENCE

## SAT, FEB 25 SESSIONS

### SATURDAY, FEB 25/17

9:00 AM **EVENT OPENS** Parking FREE, Blue Lot | Bring Forum Badge for FREE entry; general admission \$5.00; KIDS under 16 FREE.

1:00 PM | North Foyer

#### **Commercial Float Flying: The Path Less Traveled**

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2:15 PM | Heritage Room

#### **Aviation Education & Training Options**

Jason Underhill, Central Washington University; Stacie Whitford, Westminster College; and other aviation colleges

In this session aviation educators will explore options available for a career in aviation from airport operations and military aviation to bush flying and airline careers. This session provides an excellent opportunity for students and parents, as well as new or transitioning careers, to ask questions, examine path options and be inspired to take the next step.

3:30 PM | Heritage Room

#### **Identity Theft**

Trysh Olson, Wings Financial Credit Union, Bronze Level Sponsor

Olson will address the importance of financial literacy when pursuing your career goals. Identity theft occurs when someone steals your personal information and uses it to obtain credit, commit fraud or other crimes. This fraud may involve your computer, mail, financial institution information, or medical records. Identity theft can be one of the most shocking event to ever happen to you. Fortunately, there are many preventative measures you can take to substantially reduce the chance of identity theft occurring and steps you can take to minimize damage if you do become a victim. Trysh Olson is the Education and Youth Programs Manager with Wings Financial Credit Union. She has been in the credit union industry for the last 22 years. Prior to accepting the Education and Youth Programs Manager position, she specialized in the Collection industry helping members reestablish their personal finances to achieve financial independence.

4:30 PM | Heritage Room

#### **Tips to a Successful Career in Aviation**

Gordon Alvord, Rainier Flight

Presentation designed to give career pilots insight to successful interviews. What are the airlines looking for in their pilots? How can you make yourself shine above all other candidates? Gordon and his team routinely coach job applicants on their journey to their dream job. Attend this insight to receive that one piece of advice or tip that can make the difference in your career. Visit **Rainier Flight** in booths #415 - 417 for more information on this session.

EVENT CLOSES SAT @ 5:30 PM

### SUNDAY, FEB 26/17

10:00 AM **EVENT OPENS** Parking FREE, Blue Lot | Bring Forum Badge for FREE entry; general admission \$5.00; KIDS under 16 FREE.

Event Closes at 4:00 PM SUNDAY. Visit website for full details on schedule and speakers. [WWW.WASHINGTON-AVIATION.ORG](http://WWW.WASHINGTON-AVIATION.ORG)



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