

# Rochester Air Center sUAS Flight Training Program Outline

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- Upon receipt of registration deposit, students may schedule the Redbird simulator and manned aircraft flight.

## I. Learning the Language

- Aviation and Radio Control Acronyms
- Aviation and RC Terminology

## II. Platforms & Aircraft Hardware

- Fixed wing, multirotor, hybrid
- Components, from aircraft batteries to Zener diodes
- Payloads, RGB Cameras, NDVI, Multi-Spectral, Infrared, LiDAR, Other...
- Payload Integration
- Maintenance

## III. Ground Control Station (GCS)

- Communication Link and Binding
- Transmitter, Receiver, Transceiver, Head Tracking, VR Goggles, Monitors, and Mobile Devices
- Radio Frequencies (RF)
- Radio Frequency Interference (RFI)
- Electromagnetic Interference (EMI)

## IV. Software

- Firmware
- Flight Apps and Features
- Settings and Calibration
- Autonomous Flight Programming
- The 3 “B’s – Bleeding Edge, Beta, and Bugs

## V. Flight Operations

- Safety First and Planning
- Site Location Considerations
- Developing Checklists
- Emergency Procedures
- Flight Controls
- Disoriented and Lost Procedures

## VI. Flight Modes, DJI

- Position Hold (GPS Mode)
- Altitude Hold (ATTI Mode)
- Intelligent Orientation Control (IOC Modes)
- Course Lock
- Home Lock
- Active Track
- Tap and Fly
- Point of Interest (POI)
- Return To Home (RTH)
- Autonomous Flight Apps, Map Pilot, DroneDeploy, Commander, UgCS

## **VII. Flight Modes, 3D Robotics**

- Stabilize
- Altitude Hold
- Position Hold
- Loiter
- Follow Me
- Region of Interest (ROI)
- Structure Scan
- Return to Launch (RTL)
- Simple and Super Simple Modes
- Mission Planner Software

## **VIII. The FAA and Safety**

- Part 107 vs 333 Exempt vs Recreational
- National Airspace System (NAS)
- Notice to Airmen (NOTAM), Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR)
- No Fly Zones
- VFR Sectionals
- Privacy Considerations
- Weather, METAR, TAF

## **IX. Business & The Industry**

- Hardware Manufactures
- Dealer and Distribution Channels
- Software Developers
- Value Added Reseller (VAR)
- Service Providers, Applications
- Internal UAV Departments
- Leaders and Followers
- Venture Capitalist (Follow the Money)
- Insurance
- Risk Management

## **X. Redbird Flight Simulator**

- Develop pilot “scanning” techniques and “situational awareness” in an \$80,000 full motion flight simulator with a CFI (certified flight instructor). These practices are transferrable to piloting UAVs.

## **XI. Manned Aircraft Flight**

- Acquire “real world” understanding of the Class “C” airspace surrounding Rochester by piloting a Cessna 172 with a flight instructor. Identify runway approaches and their flight paths over the city for a better understanding of the relationship and proximity of the airport to the city of Rochester. Increase awareness of flight safety for “manned” aircraft.

## **XII. Practical Training**

- Hands-On Flight Training
- DJI Products
- 3D Robotics Products
- Setting Up GCS (Ground Control Station)
- Flight Apps – DJI Go, Map Pilot, Litchi, Commander, Tower, DroidPlanner, DroneDeploy, and Mission Planner
- Scan Techniques
- Recovery Techniques for Lost Telemetry and/or Video Links
- Autonomous Flights