

# **COURSE OUTLINE**

COURSE:	Aircraft Instrumentation		
PROGRAM:	280.C0 Aircraft Maintenance Technology		
DISCIPLINE :	280 Aeronautics		
WEIGHTING:	Theory: 3	Practical Work: 2	Personal Study: 2

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#### CONTEXT OF THIS COURSE IN THE PROGRAM

This course is offered during the fourth session of the program. It is intended for future Category M Aircraft Maintenance Engineers (AME). The objective is to enable them to diagnose and determine appropriate maintenance intervention for various aircraft instruments. In order to do this, they must know the terminology, their roles and operating principles. They must also be able to interpret the technical documentation provided by aircraft manufacturers.

This course presents a fairly complete overview of all types of instruments found onboard an aircraft.

#### Students must keep this course outline for the duration of their studies as it will be useful for the comprehensive assessment at the end of the program.

#### **Transport Canada**

This course outline meets the requirements of Training Organisation Certification Manual (MCF) of Transport Canada.

The Department applies Transport Canada standard which allows a maximum absence of 5% for the course (theory and laboratory). The department compiles absences of all students enrolled in Aircraft Maintenance (280.C0) and Avionics (280.D0) according to Transport Canada requirements. The application of Transport Canada policies regarding absences is available on the college website and in the student agenda under the heading « Privilèges accordés par Transports Canada ».

#### COMPETENCIES OF THE EXIT PROFILE (STUDENT SKILL PROFILES)

#### Perform maintenance of aircraft systems.

#### **MINISTERIAL OBJECTIVE(S) AND COMPETENCIES**

- 0263 Verify the operation of simple alternating-current circuits on an aircraft.
- 0265 Verify communications, navigation and instrumentation systems.

#### **TERMINAL OBJECTIVE OF THE COURSE (FINAL COURSE OBJECTIVE)**

At the end of the course, the student will be able to perform functional checks, recognize and diagnose any deviations from the standards established by the manufacturer and Transport Canada and certify the operation of a several navigation instruments.

#### **TEACHING AND LEARNING STRATEGIES**

Theory: Formal lectures, audio-visual support, short video and the use of a flight simulator.

Laboratory: See page 5.

## **COURSE PLAN - THEORY**

I	_earning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activites	No. of hours
1.1	Distinguish and describe the elements and characteristics common to the instruments.	<ul> <li>Presentation of the Course Outline</li> <li>The elements of an instrument</li> <li>The characteristics of an instrument</li> <li>Types of errors</li> <li>TC Appendix C, part 2, 22.4.1, 22.4.2, 22.4.16</li> </ul>		3
1.2	Describe different methods of trans- mitting and displaying information.	<ul> <li>Electro-mechanical and mechanical indicators</li> <li>Liquid crystal alphanumeric or electroluminescent diode indicators</li> <li>Cathode ray tubes (CRTs) and liquid crystal screens</li> <li>Synchro transmitters</li> <li>Digital transmission line (digital ARINC Bus)</li> </ul>	otes.	3
1.3	Describe the role and operation of atmos- pheric reference instruments. Recognize the requirements for maintaining navigability.	<ul> <li>Atmosphere and atmosphere type</li> <li>Pitot and static circuits</li> <li>Altimeter</li> <li>Vertical speed indicator</li> <li>Pressurization control instruments</li> <li>Anemometer, machmeter, excessive speed warning</li> <li>Aerodynamic data computer</li> <li>Applicable airworthiness standards</li> <li>Inspection, common maintenance, precautions</li> </ul>	Read course notes and personal notes.	3
1.5	Describe the operation and role of basic magnetic and gyroscopic instruments.	<ul> <li>Magnetic compass</li> <li>Characteristics and properties of a gyroscope</li> <li>Gyroscope training</li> <li>Turn and side slope indicator and turn coordinator</li> <li>Artificial horizon</li> <li>Gyroscopic compass</li> <li>Erector systems</li> <li>Gyromagnetic compass</li> <li>Introduction to the inertial navigation system</li> <li>Gyrolaser</li> <li>Applicable airworthiness standards</li> <li>Inspection, common maintenance, precautions</li> </ul>	Read	3
	Exam 1			3
1.6	Describe the role and operation of engine control and aircraft system instruments.	<ul> <li>Temperature measurement</li> <li>Pressure measurement</li> <li>Quantity gauges</li> <li>Tachometers</li> <li>Synchroscope</li> <li>Flowmeter</li> <li>Torquemeter</li> <li>Engine pressure ratio</li> <li>Vibration measurement</li> <li>Angle of attack measurement</li> <li>Stall protection system</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Read course notes and personal notes.</li> </ul>	7

L	earning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activites	No. of hours
1.7	Describe the role, architecture and operation of a centralized failure management system.	<ul> <li>An example of architecture</li> <li>EICAS (Engine indicating &amp; crew alerting system) or ECAM (Electronic centralized aircraft monitoring)</li> <li>Maintenance diagnostic system</li> </ul>	Read course notes and personal notes.	5
	Exam 2			3
1.8	Describe the role and operation of navigation instruments.	<ul> <li>ADF</li> <li>VOR</li> <li>DME</li> <li>ILS</li> <li>Radio altimeter</li> <li>INS</li> <li>GPS</li> <li>ATC transponder</li> <li>Collision avoidance system (TCAS)</li> <li>Ground proximity warning system (GPWS)</li> <li>Weather radar</li> </ul>	Read course notes and personal notes.	8
1.9	Describe the operation of the autopilot and flight director systems.	<ul> <li>Architecture of an autopilot system</li> <li>Basic and higher functions</li> <li>Auto-throttle</li> <li>Flight director</li> </ul>	Read course notes and personal notes.	2
1.10	Describe the role and operation of the flight management system.	<ul> <li>Introduction to flight management system (FMS)</li> </ul>	Read course notes and personal notes.	1
1.11	Describe the role and operation of the flight recorders.	<ul> <li>Flight data acquisition recording system (FDARS)</li> <li>Flight data acquisition unit (FDAU)</li> <li>Flight data recorder (FDR)</li> <li>Quick access recorder (QAR)</li> <li>Cockpit voice recorder (CVR)</li> </ul>	Read course notes and personal notes.	1
	Exam 3			3

## SYNTHESIS OF SUMMATIVE EVALUATION METHODS

Description of evaluation activity	Context	Learning objective(s)	Due date (approximate date assignment due or exam given)	Weighting (%)
Multiple choice and short answer exam	Individual	1.1 to 1.5	Week 5	20%
Multiple choice and short answer exam	Individual	1.6 to 1.7	Week 10	20%
Multiple choice and short answer exam	Individual	1.1 to 1.11	Week 15	20%

#### <u>THEORY</u>

Sub-total : 60%

#### **LABORATORY**

#### **Teaching and learning strategies**

Students will perform various inspection activities of onboard instruments in teams of two.

- Weeks 1, 2, 3, the teacher will demonstrate various test benches in the instruments laboratory.
- The following weeks the students perform each activity in teams of two.
- The exercises are performed using the manuals available in the laboratory.
- The laboratory manuals may include:
  - excerpts from CAR standards
  - excerpts from aircraft maintenance manuals
  - manuals of components
  - procedural manuals for use of test equipment
- For each exercise, students will need to complete the data sheets included in the laboratory course notes.
- The information students record in their course notes will serve as a study guide for the two exams.

## **COURSE PLAN - PRACTICAL WORK (LABORATORY)**

#### Activity Period: Weeks 1, 2, 3

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	No. of hours
1.1	Learn the concepts and principles of operation of instruments and equipment test laboratory.	<ul><li>Presentation of course outline.</li><li>Demonstration of various test benches.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Prior reading of the lab.</li> </ul>	
1.2	Performing the work in accordance with safety rules and operating procedures of the laboratory equipment.	<ul><li>Descriptions of tests to be carried out during the course.</li><li>Procedures and precautions.</li></ul>		8

# Activity Periods: Weeks 4 to 7 and 9 to 12

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	#hours
2.0	Perform checks on pitot-static circuits.	<ul> <li>Excerpts of CAR standards. Leak test (CAR 571), calibration test (CAR 605/625).</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Reading.</li><li>Complete data</li></ul>	
2.1	Identify compliance standards and appropriate procedures.	<ul> <li>Excerpts from aircraft maintenance manuals (where applicable).</li> <li>Components manuals.</li> </ul>	sheets.	
2.2	Use appropriate testing equipment.	<ul> <li>Procedures of manufacturer's test bench.</li> </ul>		
2.3	Compare data obtained for each check in order to comply with CAR and manufacturer's standards.	<ul> <li>Calibrating test equipment.</li> <li>Frequency of performing tests.</li> <li>Test points to simulate.</li> <li>Tolerances.</li> </ul>		2
2.4	Meticulously record the results of the checks that were carried out.	<ul> <li>Description of testing equipment: components and operation principle.</li> <li>Description of pitot-static circuit: components and operation principle.</li> </ul>		

## Activity Periods: Weeks 4 to 7 and 9 to 12

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
<b>3.0</b> 3.1	Perform checks on the altimeter. Identify compliance standards and appropirate procedures.	<ul> <li>CAR standards.</li> <li>Components manuals.</li> <li>Manufacturer's test bench procedure.</li> <li>Calibrating test equipment.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reading.</li> <li>Complete data sheets.</li> </ul>	
3.2	Use appropriate testing equipment.	<ul> <li>Frequency of performing tests.</li> <li>Test points to simulate.</li> </ul>		
3.3	Compare data obtained for each check in order to comply with the manufacturer and CAR's standards.	<ul> <li>Tolerances.</li> <li>Scale error, hysteresis error, persistence, friction error, case sealing, barometric</li> </ul>		2
3.4	Meticulously record the results of the checks that were carried out.	<ul> <li>scale error.</li> <li>Description of testing equipment; digital barometer, vacuum chamber, vacuum pump.</li> <li>Description of barometric altimeter; ID plate, components, operation.</li> </ul>		

# Activity Periods: Weeks 4 to 7 and 9 to 12

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
4.0	Perform checks on turn and bank indicator.	<ul> <li>Manufacturer's specifications</li> <li>Calibrating test equipment</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Reading.</li><li>Complete data</li></ul>	
4.1	Identify compliance standards and appropriate procedures.	<ul> <li>Tests: check inclinometer, needle</li> <li>Tolerances</li> <li>Description of testing equipment : power</li> </ul>	sheets.	
4.2	Use appropriate testing equipment.	source, turntable, strobe light		2
4.3	Compare data obtained for each check in order to comply with the manufac- turer and CAR's standards.	<ul> <li>Description of turn and side slope turn indicator : ID plate, components, operation</li> </ul>		
4.4	Meticulously record the results of the checks that were carried out.			

#### Activity Period: Week 8

Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
Exam 1	Labs 1 to 4		2

# Activity Periods: Weeks 4 to 7 and 9 to 12

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
5.0	Perform checks on a directional gyro	<ul> <li>Manufacturer's specifications.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reading.</li> </ul>	
5.1	Identify compliance standards and appropriate procedures.	<ul> <li>Calibration of test equipment.</li> <li>Tests: free rotation of the rotor, rotor speed, drift, erector mechanism,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete data sheets.</li> </ul>	
5.2	Use appropriate testing equipment	locking mechanism, starting the rotor,		
5.3 5.4	Compare the data for each check to to comply with CAR and the manufacturer's standards. Meticulously record results from the checks performed.	<ul> <li>booking mechanism, starting the rotor, housing seal, flow.</li> <li>Tolerances.</li> <li>Description of the testing equipment: pneumatic power source, Scorsby table.</li> <li>Description of the directional indicator: ID plate, components,</li> </ul>		2

#### Activity Periods: Weeks 4 to 7 and 9 to 12

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
6.0	Perform checks on a tachometer.	<ul> <li>CAR standards.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reading.</li> </ul>	
6.1	Identify compliance standards and appropriate procedures.	<ul><li>Test bench specification.</li><li>Calibration of test equipment.</li><li>Tolerances.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Complete data sheets.</li> </ul>	
6.2	Use appropriate testing equipment.	<ul> <li>Tests to run : scale error, friction</li> </ul>		
6.3	Compare the data for each check to ensure compliance with the standards of the manufacturer's builders and CARs.	<ul> <li>error, hysteresis error.</li> <li>Description of the test equipment : components, operation.</li> <li>Description of the tachometer :</li> </ul>		2
6.4	Meticulously record the results of the checks performed.	components, operation.		

# Activity Periods: Weeks 4 to 7 and 9 to 12

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
7.0	Perform tests on a manometer	<ul> <li>Test bench specification.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reading.</li> </ul>	
7.1	Identify compliance standards and appropriate procedures.	<ul> <li>Calibration of test equipment.</li> <li>Tolerances.</li> <li>Tests to run: scale error, friction</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete data sheets.</li> </ul>	
7.2	Use appropriate testing equipment.	error, hysteresis error.		
7.3	Compare the data for each test to ensure compliance with the standards of manufacturers, builders and CARs.	<ul> <li>Description of the test equipment : components, operation.</li> <li>Description of the tachometer : components, operation.</li> </ul>		2
7.4	Meticulously record the results of the checks performed.			

#### Activity Periods: Weeks 4 to 7 and 9 to 12

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
8.0	Perform tests with the magnetic	<ul> <li>RAC standards.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reading.</li> </ul>	
	compass.	<ul> <li>Running procedure.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete data</li> </ul>	
8.1	Identify compliance standards and appropriate procedures.	<ul> <li>Calibration of test equipment.</li> <li>Run frequency, test points to simulate, tolerances.</li> </ul>	sheets.	
8.2	Use appropriate testing equipment.	<ul> <li>Tests to run: liquid, compensation</li> </ul>		2
8.3	Compare the data for each test to ensure compliance with the standards of manufacturers, builders and CARS.	<ul> <li>mechanism, friction, magnet neutralisation, compensation chart.</li> <li>Description of the master compass : components, operation.</li> </ul>		Z
8.4	Meticulously record the results of the checks performed.	<ul> <li>Description of the magnetic compass : components, operation.</li> </ul>		

#### Activity Period: Weeks 13 and 14

	Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
9.0	Troubleshooting connected to the pitot- static system on an aircraft.	<ul><li>Aircraft maintenance manuals.</li><li>Manufacturer's parts manuals.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Reading.</li> </ul>	
9.1	Perform system testing of protection against the frost of pitot-static circuits.	<ul> <li>Locations of components on available aircraft.</li> <li>Checklists.</li> </ul>		4
9.2	Check for leaks in the pitot-static system of the King Air.	<ul> <li>Precautions.</li> </ul>		

#### Activity Period: Week 15

Learning Objective	Content	Personal Study Activities	# hours
Exam 2	Labs 1 to 8 and supplemental activities		2

#### SYNTHESIS OF SUMMATIVE EVALUATION METHODS

#### **Practical Part**

Evaluation Activity	Context	Learning Objective	Evaluation Period	Weighting %
Exam 1.	Essay exam. Individual.	Labs 1 to 4	Week 7	15%
Exam 2.	Essay exam. Individual.	Labs 1 to 8 and supplemental activities	Week 15	15%
Evaluation of the semester.	Teacher evaluation.	See evaluation chart	After week 3, excluding Exam1 and Exam 2	10%

Sub-total : 40%

Criteria	Excellent	Good	Some weakness	Unacceptable
1. Calibration/ benchmarking operations and procedures	Excellent identification and understanding of calibration procedures to be carried out from laboratories documents and instructions.	Satisfactory identification of calibration procedures from materials laboratories and instructions. The student failed between 1 and 3 steps.	Inappropriate useIt is difficult to evaluate	Unacceptable or dangerous use
	10/10 9.5/10 9/10	8.5/10 8/10 7.5/10	7/10 6.5/10	5.5/10 0/10
2. Work area and test equipment	The student properly prepared thework area and test equipmentnecessary to performtesting/operations of the equipment10/109.5/109/10	The student failed to get some tools or workspace does not contain all the required documents.8.5/108/107.5/10	Student omitted more than 3 7/10 6.5/10	 5.5/10 0/15
3. Written documentary	The student used technical documentation and regulations to correctly apply procedures used to calibrate instruments.	The student, with the help of the teacher, identified in the technical documents, procedures for instruments calibration 8.5/10 8/10 7.5/10	 7/10 6.5/10	 5.5/10 0/10
<ol> <li>Following procedures</li> <li>9. Punctuality -</li> </ol>	The student used the procedure described in the manufacturer's documentation for the calibration of the instrument.10/109.5/109/10Student arrived on time and9/10	The student has consulted the manufacturer's manual and questions from the teacher showed a lack of preparation or research.8.5/108/107.5/10	The student did not consult the manufacturer's manual and questions from the teacher showed a lack of preparation or research. 7/10 6.5/10 Marks proportional to	 5.5/10 0/10 None of the
respect of timeframe	immediately went to work. The work has been submitted in a timely manner. 10/10 9.5/10 9/10		elements missing 7/10 6.5/10 6/10	information requested is present in the document. 5.5/10 0/10
6. Respect of health and safety rules	The student wears appropriate clothing and equipment, uses tools and equipment safely. Handling components according to the manual or instructions from the teacher. 10/10 9.5/10 9/10		··· 7/10 6.5/10 6/10	Student had to be reminded to wears appropriate clothing and equipment. 5.5/10 0/10
7. Respect of specifications and standards	The student (or team) is able to determine whether the revised instrument complies with the manufacturer and is able to justify his answer.	The student (or team) is able to determine whether the revised instrument complies with the manufacturer but is unable to justify his answer.	Proportional to missing elements.	The student (or team) is unable to determine whether the revised instrument complies with the manufacturer and is unable to justify his answer.
	10/10 9.5/10 9/10	8.5/10 8/10 7.5/10	7/10 6.5/10 6/10	5.5/10 0/10
8. State of functionality evaluation	The team or student was able to properly assess the status of components and instruments that are defective.	The team or student was partially able to properly assess the condition of tools and components that are defective.	Proportional to missing elements.	
	10/10 9.5/10 9/10	8.5/10 8/10 7.5/10	7/10 6.5/10 6/10	5.5/10 0/10
9. Correct use of equipment and tooling	The student has properly used instruments and test equipment, as prescribed by the manufacturer's manual or the teacher.			
10. Tidy up and clean the work area.	10/10     9.5/10     9/10       The student has stored at the designated place all manuals, papers thrown away, left the workshop ready for the next group equipment. The condition of the instruments and test equipment has been checked by the target be before the to prove the place at the store of t	8.5/10 8/10 7.5/10 Proportional to missing elements.	7/10 6.5/10	5.5/10 0/10 
	teacher before the team's departure. 10/10 9.5/10 9/10	8.5/10 8/10 7.5/10	7/10 6.5/10 6/10	5.5/10 0/10

#### **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

Course Notes.

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# **REQUIREMENTS TO PASS THE COURSE**

## (1) Passing Mark

The passing mark for this course is 60% (PIEA, article 5.1m).

#### (2) Attendance for Summative Evaluations

Attendance at summative evaluation activities is mandatory. (PIEA, article 5.2.5.1).

#### (3) Submitting Assignments

Homework required by the teacher must be handed in at the established date, place and time. The penalties associated with delays are established according to departmental rules (PIEA, article 5.2.5.2). In case of delay the penalties are:

See section « Règles des départements » at the follwing website link: <u>http://guideena-en.cegepmontpetit.ca/department-rules/</u>

#### (4) Presentation of Written Work

The student must meet the "Written Work Standard Presentation" adopted by the CEGEP. Non-compliance with these standards may delay the acceptance of work or affect the rating granted. These standards are available in **Flash Links**, **Bibliothèques** under "**Méthodologie**" of the CEGEP Documentation Centers at: <u>www.cegepmontpetit.ca/normes</u>.

The **departmental penalties** for non-compliance with Written Work Standard Presentation (PIEA, article 5.3.2) are:

See section « Règles des départements » at the following link:

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# OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REGULATIONS

Students are encouraged to consult the website for the specific regulations for this course: <u>http://guideena-en.cegepmontpetit.ca/department-rules/</u>

# INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

All students enrolled in the École nationale d'aérotechnique of Édouard-Montpetit CEGEP must be aware of and comply with the contents of institutional policies and regulations. In particular, the *Politique institutionnelle de la langue française (PILF), the Politique pour un milieu d'études et de travail exempt de harcèlement et de violence (PPMÉTEHV),), the conditions of admission and academic progress, the procedure dealing with student complaints within educational relations.* 

The complete version of these policies and regulations is available on the CEGEP website at the following address: <u>http://www.cegepmontpetit.ca/ena/a-propos-de-l-ecole/reglements-et-politiques</u>. In case of discrepancy between the version appearing elsewhere and the complete version, the complete version will be applied and will be considered the official version for legal purposes.

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