Dean's Statement on The University of Oklahoma Aviation Safety Policy

Safety, security and compliance are the cornerstones of The University of Oklahoma aviation program in both flight and ground risk management and safety. These are imperatives — at all times and at all levels!

All students and employees share the responsibility for maintaining safety, security and compliance standards established by the University, the Department, the FAA and TSA and adhering to all laws established by local, state and national statues. The University and College is committed to providing a safe environment for customers/students, employees and vendors by meeting or exceeding applicable flight, ground, occupational, and environmental safety standards.

Management (faculty/instructors/staff), at all levels, is accountable for ensuring that employees and students understand and comply with these standards and are trained and equipped to recognize and control hazards in the daily work and operating environment.

The University of Oklahoma Department of Aviation employs a systematic approach to manage safety risks and Continually improve the level of safety through its established SMS program which invites all internal and external stakeholders into its robust review processes. All stakeholders play a key role in this process by identifying hazards and mitigating risks as part of everyday activities. In a shared responsibility, each student and employee must act safely and report incidents and occurrences that reduce or have the potential to reduce risk. Timely reporting of such information through the established non-punitive safety reporting programs is essential and encouraged.

An uncompromising commitment to safety, security and compliance is the responsibility of each and every student and employee.

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