# Syllabus

# ASEN 3046 Introduction to Humans in Aviation

Spring 2018

Fri 17:00-19:50

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This course investigates manned aviation and how it has impacted our lives.

We begin by reviewing the history of manned aviation in 1783 with the Montgolfier’s and proceed through the major historic events that have advanced aircraft developments. We consider how each new historic milestone in aircraft development has impacted society and our acceptance of manned flight.

Students will gain an understanding of just how rapidly aviation has developed over the last century and how challenging it has been to adapt our psychological and physiological limitations to such dangerous environment. We will do this by looking at aviation accidents from the position of human error.

We then explore the socio-economic impacts of recent aviation related events such as the post 9-11 air travel fallout, the Katrina recovery and rescue efforts and the Icelandic Volcano. We will also discuss the future of aviation and how it will affect our lives.

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**Prerequisites:** *none*, open to all majors at any level

**Textbooks:**

**1. Flight the Complete History**By R.G. Grant, DK Publishing *(2007).* **ISBN-10:** 0756619025

OR **Flight: 100 Years of Aviation** By R.G Grant DK Publishing (2007) **ISBN-10:** 0756653460

(Pretty much the same book)

**2.** **Handbook of Aviation Human Factors, 2nd Edition** (Human Factors in Transportation) Wise, Hopkins and Garland *(hardcover 2009).*

*Digital Copy is fine for this book…CU library has digital copies:*

<http://dx.doi.org.colorado.idm.oclc.org/10.1201/b10401>

Please note that you may bring laptops, E-readers, tablets or smartphones to the 2 exams to read the electronic versions of the text books.

*By R.G. Grant DK Publishing (2007).*

**Grading Breakdown:**

* Section 1 Exam 20%
* Mid-Term Paper (2000 words) 30%, (papers will be submitted in D2L Dropbox)
* Section 2 Exam 10%
* Group Presentation 30%
* Attendance, in-class participation, completion of assigned readings, attitude 10%

**Course Website:** on D2L

**Required Readings:**

* Textbooks listed above for Sections 1 and 2.
* Various articles provided in class and available on the course website will be utilized during Sections 2 and 3.

**Lecture Topics:**

**1. History of Manned Flight**

The Invention of Aviation

Early successes and failures

Wright Brothers

The Early Novelty of Aviation, and WWI

The Golden Age: Aviation finds a purpose: mail, combat and commercial transportation.

WWII

Post-war R&D, the Cold War, Airlines and the Jet Age

The Private Aviation phenomenon

Historical review of civilian acceptance of Aviation

**2. Flight Safety and Human Error**

Human Factors in Complex Systems

Organizational Behavior (and the Reason Model)

The Role of Culture – Power-Distance Culture

The Role of Human Performance Limitations

Group Behavior and Social Interaction in Complex Systems

Crew Resource Management (Stress, Situational Awareness, Information Processing)

Social Impacts of Aviation Accidents

Accident Investigation, recommendations and the Ethics vs. Economics debate

The Role of Training – Learning Theory in Aviation Safety

**3.Socio-Economic Impacts of Aviation**

Regulation and the role government regulation – does it hinder or hamper growth?

Life without aviation, assess the Post 9-11 aviation freeze, Icelandic volcanic disruptions

Impact of aviation of the environment and the climate

Aviation in Developing Nations

Aviation’s role in Humanitarian Aid/ Emergency Relief (case study of Haiti Earthquake, Katrina and the Asian Tsunami)

Future issues in Aviation (congested airspace, NEXGEN, green propulsion)

**Attendance:**

If the course is over subscribed the waitlist will be filled by the removal of any students who do not attend the first 2 days of class.

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**Accommodation For Disabilities**

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit to your professor a letter from Disability Services in a timely manner (for exam accommodations provide your letter at least one week prior to the exam) so that your needs can be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities. Contact Disability Services at 303-492-8671 or by e-mail at [dsinfo@colorado.edu](mailto:dsinfo@colorado.edu). If you have a temporary medical condition or injury, see [Temporary Injuries guidelines](http://www.alumniconnections.com/links/link.cgi?l=6835148&h=6451&e=UCBI-20151203180101) under the Quick Links at the [Disability Services website](http://www.alumniconnections.com/links/link.cgi?l=6835149&h=6451&e=UCBI-20151203180101) and discuss your needs with your professor.

**Religious Holidays**

Campus policy regarding religious observances requires that faculty make every effort to deal reasonably and fairly with all students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments or required attendance. In this class, you must let the instructors know of any such conflicts within the first two weeks of the semester so that we can work with you to make reasonable arrangements. See [campus policy regarding religious observances](http://www.alumniconnections.com/links/link.cgi?l=6835152&h=6451&e=UCBI-20151203180101) for full details.

**Classroom and On-Campus Behavior**

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment, not only while in class, but *also while working outside of class such as in labs and study areas.* Those who fail to adhere to such behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Professional courtesy and sensitivity are especially important with respect to individuals and topics dealing with differences of race, color, culture, religion, creed, politics, veteran’s status, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity and gender expression, age, disability, and nationalities. Class rosters are provided to the instructor with the student's legal name. We will gladly honor your request to address you by an alternate name or gender pronoun. Please advise us of this preference early in the semester so that we may make appropriate changes to our records. For more information, see the [policies on classroom behavior](http://www.alumniconnections.com/links/link.cgi?l=6835155&h=6451&e=UCBI-20151203180101) and [the student code](http://www.alumniconnections.com/links/link.cgi?l=6835156&h=6451&e=UCBI-20151203180101).

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If you cheat you will get an F, that’s it, don’t cheat.