



To All Interested International Students,

My name is Susan Baker and I am the Operations Manager for the Long Beach Flying Club & Flight Academy. Thank you for your interest in our flight school.

To tell you a little about our school, we have been in the flight school business for over 40 years, always located at the Long Beach Airport. We have 27 aircraft used for flight training such as Cessna 152, Cessna 172, Piper Warrior, Piper Archer and Piper Seminole. The usual duration for a student to accomplish his Private Pilot License, Instrument Rating, Commercial License and Multi Engine Rating is approximately 9 to 12 months.

The average cost is \$10,000 to \$15,000 per license or rating. The total average cost for all licenses and ratings is approximately \$40,000.00 to \$60,000.00 for the average student. A student can save money and time by studying hard and coming to their lessons prepared. Each student works with their instructor on an individual basis. The student is not in competition with any other students and each lesson is geared especially for that individual student. When the student masters the skills and knowledge for that lesson the instructor will advance to the next lesson. It is all paced by the student's ability to learn and retain information. All international students are taught under our Part 141 FAA approved program.

As an International student you will be required to obtain an M1 visa to enter the United States for flight training. To be able to get an M1 visa you will need an I-20 from an approved school. We require a deposit of \$3300.00 to issue an I-20. Of this deposit \$300.00 is a non-refundable fee for the I-20 and the remaining \$3000.00 is put into an account for you to use towards your flight training expenses. Once you are issued an I-20 and your admission paperwork is completed I will express mail your I-20. You will then need an American Embassy appointment to be issued your M1 visa. At that appointment they will verify your documents from us, your passport and your financial statements. The American Embassy will need to make sure that you can provide for yourself and your flight training while you are in the US. Students holding an M1 visa cannot work while they are in the United States. After receiving your I-20 you will need to pay the I-901 fee and register with TSA. Information and instructions for these will follow.

**This school is authorized under Federal law to enroll nonimmigrant alien students.**