

## School of Aviation

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Subject: School of Aviation Safety Policy

To All Faculty, Staff, and Students:

At the Auburn University School of Aviation, we are committed to maintaining a robust Safety Management System (SMS) that ensures the well-being of our students, faculty, staff, and the public.

## Our commitment to safety:

- 1. Safety Objectives: We commit to enhancing safety culture, taking a systematic approach to risk management, complying with all relevant aviation safety regulations and standards, and promoting ongoing evaluation and enhancement of the SMS.
- 2. Safety Culture: We foster a proactive safety culture where safety is a core value. Every community member is encouraged to report safety concerns without fear of reprisal. We believe a strong safety culture is built on trust, transparency, and continuous improvement.
- 3. Risk Management: We systematically identify, assess, and mitigate risks associated with our aviation activities, aiming to minimize hazards and manage risks to an acceptable level.
- 4. Safety Assurance: We continuously monitor and evaluate our safety performance. This includes regular audits, inspections, and reviews to identify areas for improvement.
- 5. Safety Promotion: We are dedicated to promoting safety awareness and education. This includes ongoing training, safety briefings, and information dissemination to all community members.
- 6. Emergency Response Planning: We will maintain and regularly exercise an emergency response plan to ensure a smooth transition from normal to emergency operations.
- 7. Continuous Improvement: We are committed to continuous improvement. We will regularly review and update our safety policies and procedures to reflect best practices and address emerging safety challenges.

## Roles and responsibilities:

- Leadership: Our leadership team is committed to providing the necessary resources and support to implement and maintain our SMS and set the tone for safety and meeting safety objectives.
- Staff and Faculty: Staff and Faculty are expected to lead by example, integrate safety into daily activities, and foster a safe learning environment.
- Students: Students are expected to take an active role in their own and others' safety by promptly adhering to safety policies and procedures and reporting any safety concerns.

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