



Instrument Rating Estimate of Expenses

The following is an estimate of expenses to earn an Instrument Rating

- 30 hrs of Aircraft Rental - Piper Cherokee 140 @ 150/hr = \$4,500 + tax
- 10 hrs of Simulator Rental - Redbird AATD @ 65/hr = \$ 650
- 50 hrs of ground/flight instruction @ \$75/hr = \$3,750
- Course Fee: \$ 500
 - Includes required materials

Total estimated FFFS Expense

\$9,400 + tax on airplane rental

Other / Third party expenses

The following are additional expenses that will be incurred during your training

- FAA Written Exam Fee \$ 175
- FAA Medical (varies by provider) \$ 150
- Checkride / FAA Examiner Fee (varies) \$ 700
- Full-motion flight simulator (discount available) \$ 85/hour
- Full-motion flight simulator (course unlimited) \$1,000

The above estimate is not a guarantee of price, nor a guarantee that a student will complete his/her training in 40 hours, which is the minimum required amount of simulated or actual instrument experience under Part 61 of the FAA regulations.

Fergus Falls Flight School requires payment at the time of services and does not bill for services.

Due to the unique nature of aircraft rental and to limit your liability, renters insurance is recommended.

Our goal at FFFS is to offer the most affordable flight instruction in the region, while also respecting both the student and the instructors time. All lessons are generally scheduled in (2) hour blocks, with a minimum of 1.6 hours billed by the flight instructor, though actual aircraft rental and dual instruction will be billed. If a flight ends early, the instructor will generally be available for further questions, review, and ground instruction.

Prices are valid as of May 2024 and are subject to change without notice.