

# Aviation companies take off here.

## ORLANDO

YOU DON'T KNOW THE HALF OF IT.®

Orlando is a premier aviation location due to its year-round flying weather, attractive cost of doing business, talented workforce and hyper-connected air access with five public-use airports in the region. No de-icing required.

### FEATURED EMPLOYERS



### TALENT PIPELINE

Orlando universities offer specialized programs dedicated to preparing the aerospace and defense workforce. Applicable programs include:

- Eastern Florida State College
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Florida Institute of Technology
- Valencia College
- University of Central Florida

#### Pilot Training Schools

- Aerostar Training Services
- FlightSafety Orlando
- Pan Am International Flight Academy
- L3Harris Airline Academy
- SimCom Aviation Training

### INDUSTRY ASSETS

Orlando's established industry cluster has grown due to the region's robust talent pipeline and connected air infrastructure.

- **World Aviation Training Symposium (WATS):** The World Aviation Training Summit (WATS), hosted every year in Orlando, is dedicated to sharing best practice in pilot, cabin crew and maintenance training.

#### International Airports

- Orlando International Airport (MCO)
- Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB)
- Daytona International Airport
- Lakeland Linder International Airport
- Leesburg International Airport
- Melbourne International Airport
- Ocala International Airport
- St. Pete International Airport
- Tampa International Airport



**No. 1 for STEM Job Growth in the U.S.**  
Forbes, 2018



**UCF is No. 1 Aerospace and Defense Workforce Supplier**  
Aviation Week, 2015-20



**\$6B+ Annual Simulation-Related Contracts**  
National Center for Simulation, 2019



**9 International Airports Within 100 miles** (Two-Hour Drive)

### MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

Lilium established its first U.S. vertiport in Lake Nona, planning to create 143 new jobs and build a 56,000 square-foot, state-of-the-art facility.



Frontier Airlines announces maintenance hanger in Orlando and opens new training facility in December 2019, investing \$10 million and creating a projected 45 new high-wage jobs.



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