

Career as a Flight Attendant A World Above, A Career Beyond

A career as a flight attendant offers a dynamic opportunity to travel the world, meet new people, and work in the aviation industry. Flight attendants ensure passenger safety and comfort during flights, requiring strong communication skills, a pleasant personality, and the ability to stay calm under pressure. Ideal for individuals who enjoy hospitality and fast-paced environments, the role typically requires candidates to be 18–25 years old, meet specific height and weight requirements (which may vary by airline), have 6/6 uncorrected eyesight, and maintain a well-groomed appearance. Being multilingual and unmarried at the time of applying may be added advantages depending on airline policies.

Career Prospects

Flight Attendant training prepares candidates with essential cabin crew operations and practical

Key Highlights:

- **Recruitment:** Placement in domestic and international airlines after training
- **Work Schedule:** 12–14 hour shifts, with 9 hours rest post-duty (longer hours on international flights)
- **Monthly Hours :** 75–90 hours of flying plus 50 hours of ground duties
- **Travel:** 3–4 nights away from home weekly, with airline-covered accommodation and meals
- **New Joiners:** Typically on reserve status for one year
- **Growth :** Senior attendants get priority on schedules and routes; promotions based on seniority



flight deck exposure. Upon completion, students can explore various roles in aviation.

Global Opportunities

- Airlines in the Middle East (like Emirates, Qatar Airways, Etihad) frequently hire Indian and international cabin crew
- Opportunities in Southeast

Asia, UK, Australia, and North America for trained, certified professionals

- Multilingual and culturally adaptive individuals are in higher demand

Skills

- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Physical fitness and a presentable appearance
- Patience, empathy, and crisis management
- Teamwork, adaptability, and time management
- Customer-centric attitude with attention to safety protocols

Job Roles

- Flight Purser
- Travel Manager
- Ground Service Staff
- Cabin Service Supervisor
- In-Flight Manager
- Aviation Customer Service Executive
- Airport Operations Staff
- Airline Reservation Agent
- Crew Scheduler
- Airline Safety Officer
- Airport Lounge Staff
- Cargo and Baggage Handler
- Airline HR or Training Coordinator
- Aviation Sales and Marketing Executive
- Airline Public Relations Officer

Top Colleges

India

Duration: 3 – 12 months,
Fee per course/annum: ₹ 45,000 - ₹ 2,00,000

- Frankfinn Institute of Air Hostess Training
- Fly Air Aviation Academy, Bangalore
- Pinnacle Institute of Aviation and Hospitality, Kolkata
- Indra Institute of Aircraft Engineering, Pune
- Bombay Flying Club College of Aviation
- Indigo Training Centre
- Indra Gandhi Institute of Aeronautics, Chandigarh
- Jet Airways Training Academy, Mumbai
- Aptech Aviation Academy
- Airborne Air Hostess Academy, Delhi

USA

Duration: 12 month
Fee per course/annum: \$5,000 - \$8,000

- Rio Salado College
- Cypress College
- Orange Coast College

UK

Duration : 10 weeks to 12 months

Fee per course/annum : £8,000 - £10,000

- City of Westminster College
- Doncaster College
- Leeds city college

New Zealand

Duration : 6 months to 1 year
Fee per course/annum : \$12,000 – \$18,000

- New Zealand School of Tourism
- International Travel College of New Zealand (ITC)
- Sir George Seymour College of Airline, Travel & Tourism
- Air New Zealand Aviation Institute
- Crown Institute of Studies

Examinations:

India

- DGCA (Directorate General of Civil Aviation) – Safety and First Aid Training
- Indian Airlines Cabin Crew Training
- IATACabinCrewCertification
- English Proficiency (IELTS/TOEFL – for international placements)

UK

- CAA (UK Civil Aviation Authority) Cabin Crew Attestation
- EASA Cabin Crew Certification (recognized across Europe)
- First Aid & Safety Training (CAA-approved)
- Crew Resource Management (CRM) Training

USA

- FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) Certification
- Initial Flight Attendant Training by Airlines (mandatory)
- TSA Security Training
- CPR and Emergency Procedures Certification

New Zealand

- NZQA-accredited Cabin Crew Training (New Zealand Qualifications Authority)
- Aviation Security Training
- First Aid and Fire Safety Certificate
- English Language Proficiency (IELTS for non-native speakers)

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