

# UBAA Scholarship Announcement!



THE UTAH BUSINESS AVIATION ASSOCIATION IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS YEAR'S SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT AWARDS!

THIS YEAR WE WERE DELIGHTED WITH THE ABILITY TO AWARD GROWING AVIATION PROFESSIONALS FROM DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE INDUSTRY INCLUDING PILOTS, A&P'S, AND AVIATION MANAGEMENT STUDENTS.

*THE AWARD RECIPIENTS ARE AS FOLLOVED:*

## Mark Olsen

Mark had dreams of becoming a pilot from a very young age. He started flight training with Utah Valley University at the beginning of 2021 with no prior experience and managed to impressively complete all his primary flight training up to Commercial Multi-Engine in just a little over one year. He is also an assistant aviation mechanic at UVU, helping mechanics with aircraft maintenance and gaining valuable experience on how his aircraft operate.

He now plans on using his scholarship to help him receive his CFI, CFI-I, and MEI. From there Mark aspires to flight instruct at UVU, building the hours required to fly for the airlines. His dream goal is to be a Captain at a major airline with the possibly of getting involved in the management side of aviation.

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Pictured: Mark Olsen (Top)  
Erica Harris (Bottom)



## Victoria Travers

Victoria is a Junior at Southern Utah University, studying Aviation Science. She is an active member of “Women in Aviation” and is training to be a rotorcraft pilot. Victoria has obtained her Private Pilot Certificate and is currently training for her Commercial Pilot Certificate as she awaits her Instrument Rating check ride.

After completing her training, Victoria envisions working in the challenging environments of Alaska or Hawaii to gain quality piloting skills and risk management experience. Her end goal is a career with either the National Parks Service or Air Ambulance.

## Erica Harris

Erica did not originally plan a career in aviation. Before starting her journey in the aviation industry, she worked as a diesel technician at a car dealership. Although she enjoyed her work, she felt that there was something missing. She was first introduced to the idea of a career in aviation when she worked on the vehicle of a mechanic for Delta, and he suggested she give it a shot.

The added pressure of going back to school while also having children to support did not stop Erica. She quickly decided to enroll in the A&P program at Salt Lake Community College. Erica is currently just over halfway through her training at SLCC, and plans to use her scholarship to help achieve her A&P licenses as well as her IA. Her future career goals include working as a mechanic for Delta Airlines and beginning flight training.



Pictured: Victoria Travers

## Dylan Brinkerhoff

Dylan is currently a Senior majoring in Aviation Technology at Utah State University. He began his flight training out of Bountiful Airport when he was a junior in high school. He received his Private Pilot License before enrolling at USU. Dylan now has his certification up to Commercial Multi-Engine and plans on beginning CFI training in the fall.

An opportunity to tour a business aviation hangar and talk to business aviation professionals helped Dylan realize that there are other career options other than the airlines. Although he still plans on flight instructing, Dylan now hopes to move through the non-conventional ranks of time-building, whether that be from survey or firefighting. His goal is to simply be an aviation professional, no matter what that job title might be.

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