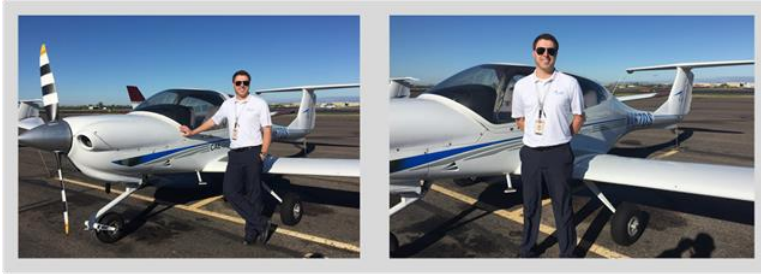


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Elliot King is a Flight Lead Instructor in the Japan Airlines Multi-Crew Pilot Licensing program at CAE Oxford Aviation Academy in Phoenix, Arizona.

A Phoenix-native, he graduated from the Professional Flight Program at Arizona State University in 2011 and instructed for the ASU training partner Mesa Pilot Development starting in 2010. In 2012 the opportunity arose to support the troops overseas by serving as a military contractor operating an unmanned aircraft in Afghanistan alongside the United States Marine Corps.

After 14 months of cumulative deployment he settled in Gilbert, Arizona and was quickly married to his fiancé whom he Skype-dated while away from home. James Berry, the Program Manager of the JAL MPL program at the time and current Chief Flight Instructor of CAE Oxford Aviation Academy, found out he had recently returned from his contracting work and quickly drafted him into the program.

James was once Elliot's Chief Flight Instructor at Mesa Pilot Development and also conducted two of his pilot examination as a Designated Pilot Examiner for the FAA (which he obviously passed.) After a successful interview, Elliot was just happy to be flying from the cockpit of an aircraft again, which he had dreamed of doing since he was a child.

Although it only took a couple flights to regain the techniques he lost while overseas, it would take many months to fully understand the teaching concepts involved in the Multi-Crew Pilot Licensing process. Teaching in the JAL MPL Program has been one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of his life and he wholeheartedly enjoys sharing his life-long passion for aviation with the next generation of pilots.