

Special Language Bridging Course – Flying Instructor Course (SLBC-FIC)



Aim

The aim of the course is to prepare international Defence Cooperation Program (DCP) personnel militarily and linguistically for attendance on the PC9 Flying Instructor Course (FIC) at RAAF Base East Sale, Victoria.

Description

The Special Language Bridging Course – Flying Instructor Course (SLBC-FIC) provides specific language training and study skills to prepare selected DCP personnel for attendance on the PC9 Flying Instructor Course. SLBC-FIC is designed as a bridging course for pilots who have not yet attained the required ADFELPS profile for direct entry to FIC. Candidates for SLBC-FIC must attain an ADFELPS of not lower than 7 in Speaking 7, Listening 7, Reading 7 and Writing 7 to be eligible to attend the course.

This English for Aviation Purposes language course aims to enhance the candidate's language skills through aviation contexts relevant to the target course. The SLBC-FIC focuses on developing listening, reading and speaking skills to prepare the pilots to assimilate with other ADF pilots attending FIC and also to familiarise them with the language, terminology and the Australian-based experience they will need for the course.

Candidates who already have achieved the Flying Instructor Course (FIC) ADFELPS profile of Speaking 8 Listening 8 Reading 8 and Writing 7 are not required to attend SLBC-FIC. They should be panelled directly onto their target course.

The Special Language Bridging Course – Flying Instructor Course (SLBC-FIC) is scheduled according to demand. Candidates will leave DITC to complete Aviation Medicine, Qualified Flying Instructor and any pre-FIC courses during the twelve week course.

Role

Following the formal adoption of Joint Directive 4/94, Defence Instruction (General) PERS 05-13 was produced to specify the DITC role, tasks and administrative procedures. DITC has been assigned the following role:

to enhance the training provided in Australia to South East Asian and South Pacific defence force and other selected overseas personnel. This is achieved by facilitating the integration of those personnel into Australian Defence Organisation (ADO) training systems, and fostering and promoting cross-cultural awareness between members of the ADO and foreign military personnel.

Location

DITC is located at the RAAF base at Laverton, Victoria in Australia. It is located close to the centre of Melbourne. Access to the city is by train, car, taxi or bus. Melbourne offers a multicultural environment. Shops, sports venues, art galleries, cinemas, theatres, concert halls, exhibitions, restaurants and places of worship welcome the DITC students in their off-duty hours.

All students have access to well-trained staff, computers, a specialist library, modern classrooms and excellent recreational facilities. At DITC, students enjoy comfortable accommodation purpose-designed for study.

Course particulars

Number of students/course:

2 (minimum)

6 (maximum)

Length of course (working days):

60

Minimum ADFELPS on entry:

S – 7 L – 7 R – 7 W – 7

Must have been selected to attend the Flying Instructor Course

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