

WELCOME TO UPT AT LAUGHLIN

"Develop Mission-Ready, Resilient Airmen, Leaders and Families"



THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME

Congratulations on your selection to attend Undergraduate Pilot Training at Laughlin Air Force Base! Over the next few months of your life, you will be pushed harder and further than ever before. Our expert team of professional instructors work tirelessly to provide you with a combat aviation education unmatched by any other nation on earth. Every member assigned to Laughlin is seamlessly integrated into what's known as Team XL, and together we produce the world's most lethal and capable leaders and pilots. While your road to wings may have started a long time ago, your journey through the forge of combat aviation begins today!

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What to Bring:



- Five copies of your orders (include ALL pages)
- Two forms of government I.D.
 - Military ID
 - Valid Passport/ Birth Certificate (Original Copy)
 - U.S. Citizens born abroad require original copy of form FS-240
- Have a current Physical Fitness Assessment
- Car registration, insurance and title
- Current medical, immunization, and dental records
- Know your blood type (for dog tags)
- TMO paperwork - for your household goods
- OCPs, PT gear, Service Dress, Mess Dress (needed for graduation)
- Marriage certificate (if applicable)
- Savings to live on until finance starts your pay especially if you are an OTS or ROTC grad - Additional IPT items (see pg 5)

What to Do: Initial Arrival to LAFB

Congratulations on arriving to LAFB. To begin, check in to the Laughlin Manor. Your stay is reimbursable up to 21 calendar days.

Check in with the STUS CSS office (2nd Floor Bldg 320) during business hours (Mon-Fri 0800-1500)

For issues pertaining to finance, housing, orders and class dates, please work with the unit that is sending you to Laughlin.

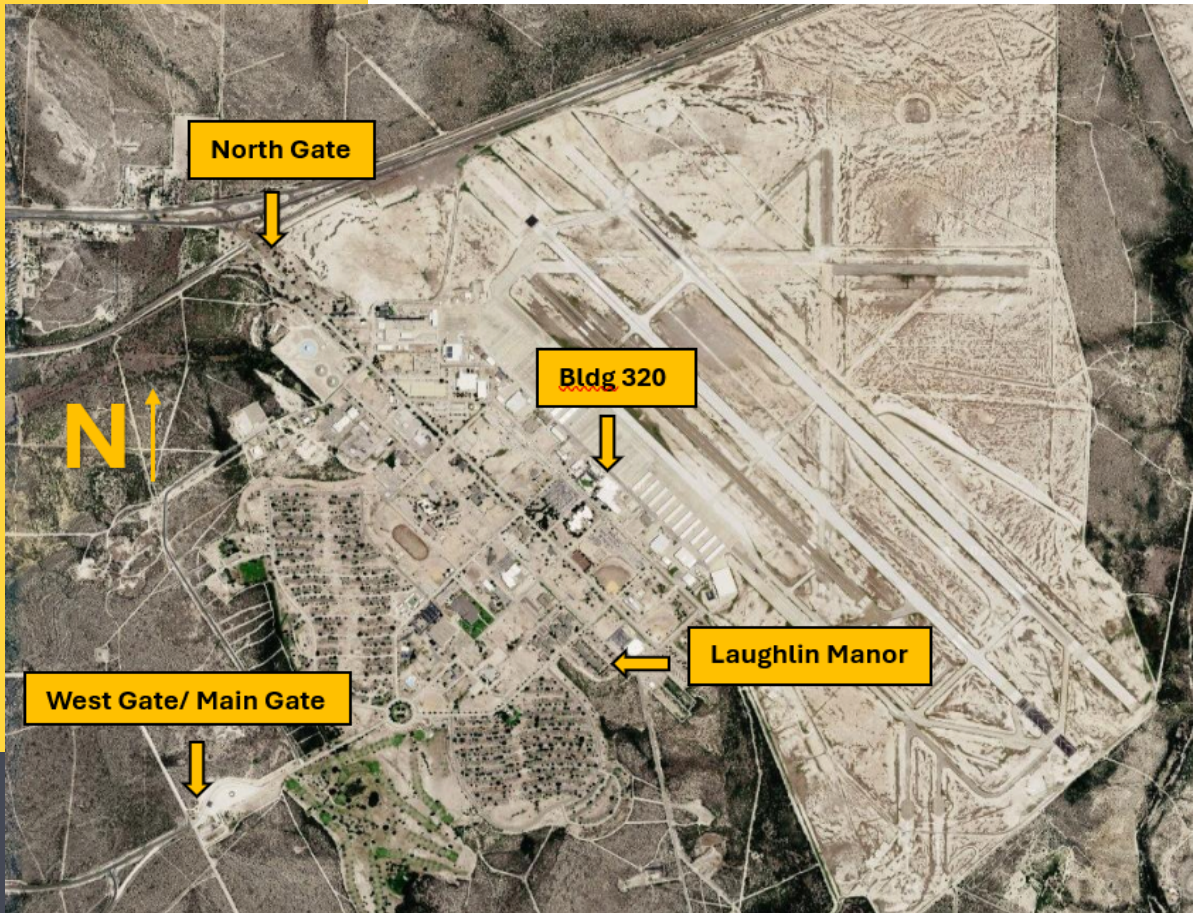
We can only function in an advisory capacity until you are gained into our squadron!

Currently Laughlin AFB does not offer sponsors to new inbound pilot training students.

For unique situations affecting your arrival to Laughlin AFB, please reach out to the Admin Flt CC at 830-298-4328.



Getting to Laughlin AFB



If you type in "Laughlin AFB West Gate" on Google Maps you will navigate to the base's main gate (24/7 access).

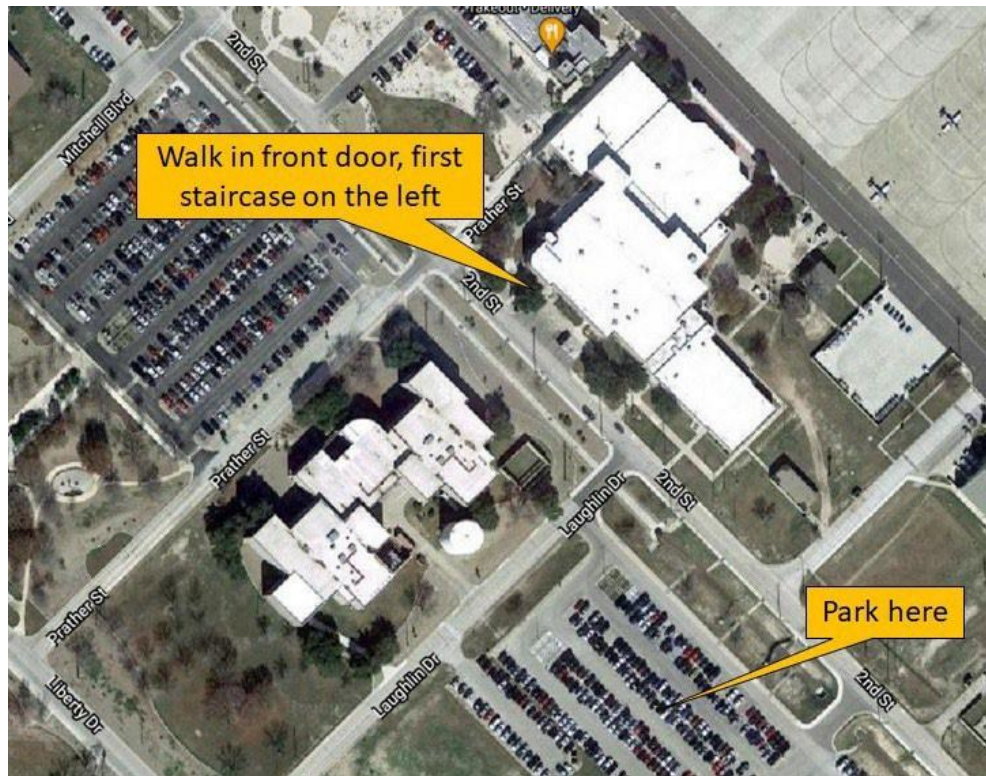
Please reference the Visit Control Center's website for the most current gate hours (below).
<https://www.laughlin.af.mil/About-Us/Visitor-Control-Center/>

You'll need your Military ID or orders to gain entrance to the base.

To get to the Laughlin Manor (base hotel): Once through the West gate, take the first exit through the traffic circle onto Arnold Blvd, the Manor will be on your right.

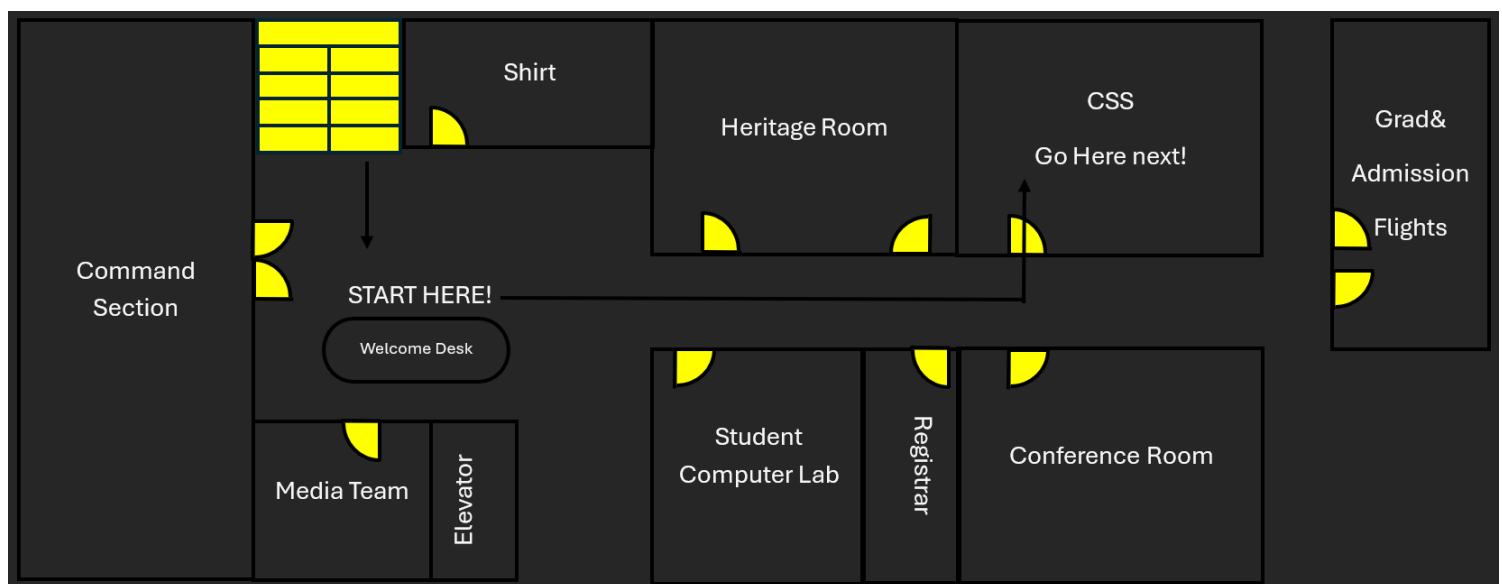
To get to Building 320 (from the West gate): take the second exit through the traffic circle and go until the road comes to an end. The building in front of you is building 320. Park in the parking lot to your right. Walk in the left most door. You'll know you are in the right spot because you will see a staircase almost immediately to your left.

Finding the 47 STUS



The 47th Student Squadron is located on the second floor of building 320. Building 320 is located at 2nd and Prather. Walk in the front glass doors and take the first staircase on the left!

SQUADRON MAP



Initial Pilot Training (IPT) Preparations

Required Actions Prior to Arriving to Laughlin AFB:

Bring the following as applicable:

- Any Current RIPs
- Logbook or Individual Flight Record
- Valid Class 1, 2, or 3 medical clearance
 - o Save confirmation number from MedXPress (<https://medxpress.faa.gov/>)
 - o Every student will receive a provisional 2992 (Flying Class 1 Substitute) prior to IPT here at Laughlin
- FAA Student Pilot Certificate (Or physical possession of any FAA certifications/ratings received with current biennial review)
 - o Create IACRA account and apply for FAA Student Pilot Certificate if you do not already have one (save temp certificate until card received) (<https://iacra.faa.gov>)
- Reserve lodging at the Laughlin Manor. They can be reached at (830) 298-5731.
- Get released from your last base on DTS (If applicable)
- Fill out Inbound Student Information Survey (<https://forms.gle/cA4d2kveMGtfPGs17>)
- If you have any questions regarding IPT please contact the IPT managers at 830-298-5071 or at 47stus.admissions.apt@us.af.mil
- Pre-order your name tags by calling the SDO desk at (830) 298-5211*

Required Actions once at Laughlin AFB

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- Check in at the STUS SDO desk (Reference Map/Floor plan on pg 4).
 - o Order name tags (if not per-ordered)*
 - o Get STUS squadron patches
 - o Flight suits and other flight equipment will be issued to shortly after your class start date
 - o Get your EFBs (IPad)
 - Check in with CSS and pick up in-processing checklist
 - Complete in-processing checklist within 7 days
 - o Complete medical within 3 Days of arrival
 - Check in with Admission Flight to receive your IPT Pre-Departure Checklist

*Pre-order your name tapes/patches through the SDO Desk prior to your arrival. There is currently a **3 week** turn around time for name tapes/patches to be delivered to the squadron and orders are placed every Friday morning. SDO Desk can be reached at (830) 298-5211.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Initial Pilot Training (IPT)

Where will I leave before IPT?

Typically students will stay in TLE (Laughlin Manor) for the 21 calendar days allowed and then either live in a temporary dorm or allowed lodging option (see FAQ for lodging exceptions).

What are the lodging options at IPT?

The IPT Schoolhouses provide every student with a room at an apartment complex (you will more than likely have a roommate) at no additional cost to the student.

Can I bring my family and/or pets to IPT?

Yes; however, ONLY STUDENTS may reside in the rooms provided by the IPT schoolhouse. Pets are also not allowed in the IPT provided apartments. That being said, if the student elects to live elsewhere, it is at the STUDENT's expense.

Am I allowed to take leave during IPT?

Do not plan to take leave while at IPT.

What are the locations for IPT and am I able to choose where I go?

Georgetown, TX (AeroGuard Aviation)

San Marcos, TX (US Aviation Academy)

You are not able to pick your schoolhouse and will be assigned one based on availability.

How long can I expect to be at IPT?

Five months, but no less than 10 weeks even if you have any previous FAA certifications (PPC, IAR, MEL).

If you do have any previous certifications, you could finish IPT early at the schoolhouse's discretion.

Where do I store my house hold goods while I'm at IPT?

There are storage facilities close to Laughlin AFB or if you have lodging at Laughlin you may store it there as well.

What planes will I be flying at IPT?

Cessna 172s (San Marcos)

Tecnams 2010s and 2006s (San Marcos)

Piper Archer (Georgetown)

DA-42 (Georgetown)

PA-28 Piper Cherokee (Georgetown)

Will I have access to study materials prior to going?

Yes. Some basic materials will be sent out once you are assigned to a schoolhouse. Otherwise, most of the planes have open source material on the internet.

How do I know what class I will be in?

Once you receive your RIPS (through email) it will be annotated on your RIP. Otherwise, you can ask the Admissions Flight CC upon your arrival.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: SINGLE AND UNACCOMPANIED OFFICERS

Do I have to live in a dorm?

Yes. All unaccompanied officers will live in a dorm. Certain opportunities to get a waiver may come up when the dorm is at capacity, but that is very rare.

Are the dorms furnished?

Yes. The dorms include a bed, full kitchen, desk, dresser, table, and chairs, and individual bathroom.

Are there laundry facilities to use in the dorms?

Yes. Each dorm building has a free laundry facility.

What do I do with all of my household goods?

If you have household goods that you have to store during your duration at Laughlin, please contact our TMO Office at 830-298-5206. The only option for storage on base is through Outdoor Recreation who owns a storage lot for recreational vehicles, RV's, open/enclosed trailers, etc.

What if I have a firearm?

Hunt Housing is privatized housing and residents are allowed to store their firearms within their Hunt House. Proper registration paperwork will need to be filled out and filed with Security Forces upon arrival to Laughlin. Guns are not allowed to be stored in Laughlin UOQ (Duplexes and Dorms). Further guidance can be obtained by talking with the STUS First Sergeant and/or the STUS Senior Enlisted Leader.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: SINGLE AND UNACCOMPANIED OFFICERS

What if I have a pet?

Students are not eligible for Unaccompanied Officer Quarter (UOQ) if they have pets. This includes our three main dormitories and the UOQ Duplexes. If you arrive at Laughlin and are single/dorm eligible, every effort should be made for arrangements to have your pets taken care of elsewhere during pilot training. If unable to secure a sitter for your animals, please engage with your respective Admission Flight Commander and the First Sergeant to explore housing options outside of UOQ. Every situation is unique and will be reviewed/approved on a case by case basis.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: MARRIED AND ACCOMPANIED OFFICERS

Do we have to live in a dorm?

No. Married and accompanied officers are not authorized to live in the dorms. You must still check in with the dorm manager, but will be referred to live either in Laughlin Family Housing or off-base.

What if my spouse or dependent(s) aren't on my orders?

If your spouse or dependent(s) aren't on your PCS orders to Laughlin, then you are considered unaccompanied and will need to refer to the previous page. If arriving here with dependents, please ensure you work with MPF at your losing unit or here at Laughlin to ensure dependents are listed on your orders.

Does Laughlin Family Housing allow pets?

Yes! Refer to Laughlin's Family Housing's website for more details.

<https://www.laughlinfamilyhousing.com>

(830) 298-1701

What if I'm going to be getting married really soon? Am I still considered single?

You'll have to live in the dorms initially. Once you have a date of the ceremony solidified, you may apply for a waiver for intent to marry no earlier than 60 days prior to the signing of the marriage certificate. Once the waiver is approved, which may take up to 14 calendar days, you may speak to the dorm manager about moving into housing of your choice (as above). Otherwise, if you are not married, you are considered single.



PARTING SHOTS

Pilot training is one of the most challenging programs most officers will experience in their entire USAF career. The lessons learned during your time here will shape the future of our nation and how we project power across the globe. Earning your wings is just the first step in your journey to ascend the ranks of the most elite fighting force the world has ever seen. Relish every moment, take in as much as possible, and remember: you only get to do this once. So make it count!

