RMC AVIATION PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY INTERNATIONAL BOARD

For more information: Daniel G. Hargrove,  
Rocky Mountain College professor, aviation/director, aviation  
Phone: (406) 657-1060  
Email: hargrovd@rocky.edu

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

BILLINGS – Rocky Mountain College has been informed that the Aviation Accreditation Board International (AABI) at its annual meeting in Ohio accredited its bachelor of science degrees in aviation management and in aeronautical science.

The AABI congratulated RMC for its commitment to quality aviation education, with an accreditation process that took two years and involved numerous reports and evaluations.

There are only 29 aviation programs worldwide accredited by AABI.

“This accreditation is a distinction of excellence as demonstrated by the quality of our faculty, academic demands of instruction and flight preparation. Our program mission is to educate and train individuals to be professionals and leaders in the aviation industry and this validates that we are accomplishing those goals,” said RMC President Michael Mace.

The AABI advances quality aviation education worldwide through accreditation and leadership, according to Dr. Alan Stolzer, chair of its accreditation committee.

“This is terrific news for our program. We offer bachelor of science degrees in aeronautical science (professional pilot) and in aviation management and both were accredited,” said Dan Hargrove, RMC director. “This makes their education more valuable and confirms that a student can get an outstanding aviation education while enjoying all of the advantages of a small college.”

“Our job placement rate for graduates going into the aviation industry is 100 percent, with graduates working in many different sectors, including as pilots or managers in the airlines, corporate aviation, cargo, missions, hospitals, and professional flight training,” he added.

AABI is committed to its role as the world's leader in the advancement of aviation accreditation. Accreditation assures students and prospective employers that an educational degree program has met stringent industry standards of quality.
For more information about AABI visit http://www.aabi.aero. For more information about RMC's aviation program, visit www.rocky.edu, aviation.

#    #    #

9/14/09