



CADETS
CANADA



**Royal Canadian
Air Cadets**



Lt.-Col. Maryse Carmichael:

“Being part of the Air Cadets as a **teenager** provided me an excellent foundation for my career in aviation and with the Canadian Forces. I had the chance to be **initiated** in flying and learn about leadership, discipline and aviation. Taking part in the various activities gave me the opportunity to develop skills and personality traits that are required and used every day in my present career: interpersonal skills, public speaking, reliability, discipline and assertiveness. I was positively influenced by the friends I made and the **mentors** I had.”

The first woman to fly with Canada’s elite Snow Birds, Lt.-Col. Carmichael also became the first-ever female pilot to command the Snow Birds in 2010.



Chris Hadfield:

“I dreamed of spaceflight. Watching the first humans leave our Earth to walk on another planet was a young boy’s dream, ignited. I clearly knew what I wanted to do, but had no idea how to get myself there. (...) Growing up as a farm boy that looked great to me, but I needed to learn how airplanes worked and how to fly. The Milton 820 RCAC Squadron had recently formed, so I joined and grew up with them. The lessons I learned there I still draw upon daily: self-discipline, teamwork, technical competence, flying and leadership. I know full well that it has been the Air Cadet experience that has allowed me to fly so high.”

Chris Hadfield is the first Canadian to walk in space and served as the commander of the International Space Station.

Royal Canadian Air Cadets



- ▶ Established in 1941
- ▶ 456 Squadrons totaling 23 000 Cadets.
- ▶ One in five private pilots in Canada is an ex-air cadet
- ▶ 67% of Airline pilots began as an air cadet
- ▶ Young start
- ▶ Endless Opportunities!



Royal Canadian Air Cadets The Program

- ▶ Partnership between the Department of National Defense and the air cadet league of Canada
- ▶ **Aim:** Develop in youth the attributes of good citizenship and leadership; promote physical fitness; and stimulate the interest of youth in air activities of the Canadian Forces
- ▶ **Motto:** To Learn. To Serve. To advance.
- ▶ **Age:** 12 to 18.
- ▶ **Cost:** FREE!



Attracting Young Citizens



Aviation Day 2016: Familiarization Flights, Static Aircraft Tour, Industry Kiosks, University Programs Kiosks, Guest-Speaker etc...!

Flying Scholarship - Glider

- ▶ Regional Cadet Flying Training Center (CFTC)
- ▶ Schweizer SGS 2-33
- ▶ Largest number of glider pilots in Canada
- ▶ 6 Weeks Intensive Training
- ▶ Transport Canada – Glider Pilot License



Glider Pilot Opportunities

- ▶ Glider Familiarization – Weekly Basis
- ▶ Cadet Passenger Pilot
- ▶ Backseat conversion
- ▶ Summer Familiarization
- ▶ Glider Instructor Course



Glider Pilot Instructor Course

- ▶ **Recruiting own Pilots!**
- ▶ 3 Week Summer Course
- ▶ 18 Years old
- ▶ No CPL Required!
- ▶ Summer job as Glider Instructor
- ▶ Experience of a lifetime!



Flying Scholarship - Power

- ▶ 7 Week summer course
- ▶ Single Engine Land: Cessna 150, 152, 172, DA-20,
- ▶ Transport Canada – Private Pilot License



Retention

- ▶ Awards and Bursaries
- ▶ Summer Employment
- ▶ Proficiency Courses
- ▶ Teaching & Mentoring Opportunities





CADET ADVANCED AVIATION
TECHNOLOGY COURSES

COURS DE TECHNOLOGIE
AVANCÉE DE L'AVIATION

Aviation Careers!

- ▶ Introduction to Aviation
- ▶ Aircraft Maintenance Course
- ▶ Airport Operation Course
- ▶ Advanced Aerospace Course



Royal Canadian air cadets – The flight of a lifetime



- Creates an Interest in aviation at a Young Age
- Offers free-education to youth
- Gives opportunities for employment and mentorship
- Offers a handful of leadership skills

