# Grayson Bertaina

450 Memorial Dr Cambridge, MA 02139 Pilot, Entrepreneur, Student, and Leader.

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## **Academic History**

MIT - Course 16 (AeroAstro) - 4.5 GPA Entrepreneurship and Innovation Minor September 2021 - May 2025 **Daytona State College** - Associate of Arts Degree, High Honors Distinction - 4.0 GPA June 2019 - May 2021

## **Professional Experience**

## **Chief Operating Officer** - Zing Drone Solutions Inc.

#### https://zingdrones.com

Nov 2020 - Present

- Working alongside founding team to run an evolving autonomous technology startup.
- Created plans and managed development for future growth, equity rounds, and hiring.

#### Flight Operations Intern -

Gulfstream Aerospace

#### https://gulfstream.com

May 2022 - August 2022

- Full time intern working to reduce cost and enhance efficiency in a large and complex corporate flight department.
- Working with Microsoft Power Bl and python to derive meaningful insights on processes for management decisions.

## Certified Flight Instructor - Avier <a href="https://avierflight.com">https://avierflight.com</a>

Jan 2022 - Present

- Part time flight instructor as an independent contractor.
- Teaching full PPL/IFR/CPL courses and separate discovery flights & flight reviews.
- Instruction began August 2021 (contract).

### Flight Deck Prototyping UROP - MIT

September 2021 - May 2022

- Undergraduate UROP member of Course 16 Prototyping and Simulation Project.
- Applying my commercial pilot/flight instructor knowledge to advise on instrumentation and pilot control/feedback systems.
- Working with flight simulation software to develop models for an experimental eSTOL aircraft.
- Developing procedures for future flight operations of eSTOL aircraft.

#### **Software Administrator** - Georgian

Inn Beach Club

#### https://gibcfl.com

March 2020 - August 2021

- Researched and selected software provider (property management system).
- Presented to board of directors and negotiated contract terms.
- Administered training and implementation on site with deadline.

## Awards, Accomplishments, and Appointments

**CFI - Flight Instructor Multi Engine** August 4, 2022

**Commercial Pilot - Multi Engine Add-on** August 4, 2022

**Certified Flight Instructor - Instrument** May 10, 2022

**Certified Flight Instructor** 

August 10, 2021

**Volusia County Medallion of Excellence** February 2021 **Commercial Pilot Certificate & Instrument** May 12, 2021 and October 7, 2020 Cadet Commander - FL-049 Nov 2018 - June 2020 **CAP Meritorious Service Award** 

December 2019

## **Volunteer Experience**

#### MIT Flying Club - Treasurer https://fly.scripts.mit.edu/mitflyingclub/

August 2021 - Present

- Managed flying club budget for events and programs, including budget development.
- Created two scholarship programs to enable access to aviation for students at MIT.
- Successfully executed scholarship rounds and distributed over \$4,000 to students.

#### Civil Air Patrol -

#### https://gocivilairpatrol.com

Nov 2014 - August 2021

- Volunteered in the CAP Cadet program and attained Cadet Major rank.
- Served as Ormond Beach Composite Squadron's cadet commander Nov 2018 June 2020.
- Created new aerospace education initiatives in squadron to improve cadet experience.

### Aeronautical Experience

Total Time: 575	Multi Engine: 22.6	Dual Given: 182	Night: 68
PIC: 522	Instrument: 102	High Perf: 37	XC PIC: 245

## **Key Skills**

