With the sponsorship from the Community College of City University (CCCU) and the Division of Applied Science and Technology (AST), a group of four students from the programme Associate of Science in Airport Operations and Aviation Logistics (AScAOAL) attended a short pilot training in Vancouver, Canada in June 14 to July 4, 2016. The training at Sea Land Air Flight Centre includes 10-hour flying experience, pre-flight and post-flight briefings and ground school in aircraft operations.

From the two-week programme, students gained their ever-first experience of controlling an aircraft in the sky, applied the subject knowledge of Aircraft Operations taken in Hong Kong, and learned more in selected topics, e.g. flight operations, flight instrument and navigation. The programme aims to benefit the students by possessing a broad theoretical understanding in airport and ground operations, sharpening their language and communication skills, and enhancing their team spirit and organizational skill through planning daily activities outside classes. According to the self-reflection by the students, the entire experience was fascinating, inspiring and motivating them to pursue their career goals towards pilot and other aviation professions.