

# AMTAS/JAMS Status and Future Plans

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# FAA Center of Excellence Program

*Background for 1<sup>ST</sup> Time Attendees*

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## FAA Centers of Excellence (COEs):

- Funded through cooperative agreements among academic institutions, their affiliate industrial partners, and the FAA
- FAA provides funds that must be matched 1:1 by non-federal sources
- Funded in three phases over a total period of 3-10 yrs
- Six FAA COE's currently exist:

<http://www.coe.faa.gov/>

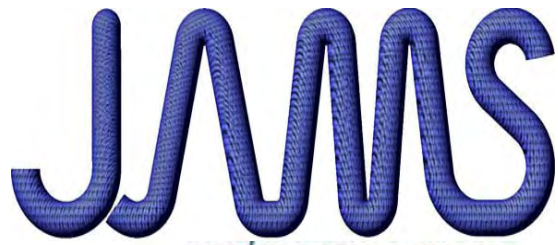
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# "Acronyms"

## *Brief Background for 1<sup>ST</sup> Time Attendees*

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- The FAA Joint Advanced Materials and Structures (JAMS) Center of Excellence was formed in 2003 and consists of two university teams:
    - AMTAS ('A'dvanced 'M'aterials in 'T'ransport 'A'ircraft 'S'tructures)
    - CECAM ('Ce'nter for 'C'omposites and 'A'dvanced 'M'aterials)
  - Curt Davies is the FAA-JAMS Program Manager
  - JAMS is just entering Phase II
  - All JAMS projects are related in some manner to safety and/or certification issues
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# JAMS CoE Member Schools

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## AMTAS (Advanced Materials for Transport Aircraft Structures)

- University of Washington, Lead
- Washington State University
- Oregon State University
- Edmonds Community College
- Florida International University
- University of Utah



## CECAM (Center for Composites and Advanced Materials)

- Wichita State University, Lead
- Northwestern University
- Purdue University
- Tuskegee University
- University of Delaware
- University of California at Los Angeles





# AMTAS Administrators

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# AMTAS Administrative Activities

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- Website updated more-or-less continuously:  
<http://depts.washington.edu/amtas>
  - Monthly technical progress reports from all AMTAS academic partners assembled and submitted to FAA
  - Quarterly financial reports from all AMTAS academic partners assembled and submitted to FAA
  - AMTAS "news" - updates on AMTAS/JAMS activities e-mailed to interested persons every 1-2 months (about 650 persons, presently)
  - Organize-schedule-host meetings
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# AMTAS/JAMS Meetings

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- Semi-annual AMTAS meetings
    - Spring & Fall; typically 50-70 attendees
    - One-day mtg, usually (but not always) held on UW campus
    - 78 registrants for today's meeting
  - Annual JAMS meetings
    - Three held since initiation (WiSU→UW →Hughes Res Ctr)
    - Typically ~100 attendees, representing all JAMS universities and many industrial partners
    - 2008 JAMS Meeting:
      - Hosted by UW
      - Tues-Thurs, 17-19 June
      - Will be held at the Future of Flight (Everett)
      - Additional details available soon
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# Short Course

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- AMTAS Institute on Advanced Aircraft Composites
    - Five-day “cover the waterfront” composites course intended for degreed/practicing engineers
    - Organized and led by Kuen Lin
    - ~10 instructors (5 from academia, 5 from industry/gov)
    - Self-sufficient: \$2,500 tuition fee
    - Has been offered three times:
      - 18-22 Sept '06 (21 attendees)
      - 19-23 Mar '07 (25 attendees)
      - 17-21 Sept '07 (14 attendees)
    - March '08 course canceled due to low enrollment
    - Next offering 8-12 September '08
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# Institute on Advanced Aircraft Composites

## *Sept '07 Curriculum*

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### Monday:

- Overview and New Developments (2 hours): Kuen Lin (UW) and Patrick Stickler (Boeing)
- Materials (4 hours): Bud Das (UW)
- Nondestructive Inspection (2 hours): Dick Bossi (Boeing)

### Tuesday:

- Manufacturing Processes (4 hours): Doug McCarville (Boeing)
- Manufacturing Lab Project (4 hours): Brian Flinn (UW)/MSE Lab

### Wednesday:

- Tooling (2 hours): Dave Dickson (Boeing)
  - Prepreg-based Manufacturing (2 hours): Moe Soleiman (Boeing)
  - Testing Methods (2 hours): Mark Tuttle (UW)
  - Machining & Testing Demos (2 hours): Mark Tuttle (UW)/ME Labs
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# Institute on Advanced Aircraft Composites

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## Thursday:

- Structural Analysis Methods (3 hours): Kuen Lin (UW)
- Design Methodology (3 hours): Chris Eastland (Boeing)
- Damage Resistance & Tolerance (2 hours): Paolo Feraboli (UW)

## Friday:

- Repair Techniques (3 hours): John Gokcen (Boeing)
  - Repair Analysis (2 hours): Michael Graves (Boeing)
  - Repair Demonstration (2 Hours): Eric Casterline (Heatcon)
  - Summary and Discussion (1 Hour): Kuen Lin (UW)
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# Current Research & Educational Projects *Summary*

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- Damage Tolerant Composite Design (K. Y. Lin, UW)
  - Aeroservoelasticity of Composite Aircraft Structures (E. Livne, M. Tuttle, UW)
  - Composite Crashworthiness (P. Feraboli, UW)
  - Out-of-Plane Loading of Thick Laminates (T. Kennedy, OSU)
  - Adhesive Bonding of Composites through Surface Characterization (B. Flinn, UW)
  - Analytical Chemistry Methods for Detecting Surface Contamination and Moisture (R. Burton, FIU)
  - Maintenance/Repair of Composite Aircraft Structures (C. Seaton, EdCC)
  - Fracture Mechanics Test Methods - Sandwich Composites (D. Adams, UoU)
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# Objectives During Semi-Annual AMTAS Meetings

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*"Generally":*

Spring Meeting agenda devoted to

- Overall status of AMTAS-JAMS
- Discussion/brainstorming of future research & education projects (funding for continuing or new AMTAS projects typically received during summer months)

Autumn Meeting agenda devoted to

- Overall status of AMTAS-JAMS
  - Research presentations by AMTAS PIs
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# The Meeting Today

## *Morning Agenda*

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### 9:00-9:40AM: AMTAS-related initiatives at UW

- Overview of i-AMT, Alex Jen, UW
- Aviation and the Environment, Patrick Stickler, Boeing

### 9:40-10:20AM: Related Composite Research

- Lightning Strikes, Paolo Feraboli, UW
- Feasible Morphing Aerostructures, Tad Calkins, Boeing

### 10:40AM-12:10PM: New Directions in Composites

- Braided Composite Structures, Jason Scharf, A&P Tech
  - Composite Research at PNNL, Jim Holbery, PNNL
  - Composites in Sporting Goods, Dodd Grande, K2 Sports
  - Composites Application in Energy, Scott Finn, GE Res Ctr
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# The Meeting Today

## *Afternoon Agenda*

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Devoted to breakout sessions:

Existing/near-term AMTAS Projects (moderators):

- Adhesive Bonding (Will Grace & Peter VanVoast)
- Chopped Fiber Comp (Larry Ilcewicz & Patrick Stickler)
- Education/Training (Rosemary Brester & Charlie Seaton)

Potential Collaborations

- Morphing Structures/Multifunctional Materials  
(Tad Calkins & Shreeram Raj)
  - New Research Directions (Rob Albers & Jim Holbery)
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# Concluding Comments

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- We need your ideas and suggestions ...please participate in discussion!
  - Any questions for me?
  - Thank you for coming!
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