

# AggieAir Employee Spotlight Hunter Buxton

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AggieAir Primary Safety Pilot Hunter Buxton

This week's AggieAir Spotlight is on Hunter Buxton, our resident primary safety Pilot. Hunter's been with AggieAir for the past 3 years, and has become a vital member of the team whose contributions have been invaluable.

As the primary safety pilot, Hunter is tasked with knowing the FAA's drone regulations, operating requirements, and procedures to successfully plan and pilot flights for AggieAir. In addition, Hunter also completes composite work on our aircrafts, integrates new technology, and trains upcoming AggieAir pilots.

Hunter is currently a student at USU, and plans to graduate in 2020 with an MIS (Management Information Systems) degree with a focus on Data Analytics and a minor in Drone Technology. During his studies, Hunter was the first student in the history of the drone program to get his Part 107 UAS operator License, and taught a Part 107 certification class for USU Staff and Professors. He

was also a member of the USTAR team at the EVR Lab that automated an electric Ford Focus.

Hunter said the most important thing he's learned from working at AggieAir is how to construct, program and operate UAS from start to finish. He's also learned important lessons on what makes a flight mission successful, and how to get it right the first time. When asked about his experience working for AggieAir, Hunter says, "I have loved airplanes as long as I can remember. I have really enjoyed the opportunity to travel to so many different flight areas, and fly our aircrafts."

When Hunter's not working at AggieAir, he can be found playing guitar, singing, skiing, or racing dirt bikes.

After graduating, Hunter hopes to own and operate his own business developing Unmanned Aerial Systems to offer clients aerial solutions for all disciplines of drone flight.