

to ICAO, IBAC endeavors to fairly represent its members on all matters of significant impact.

## EDUCATION

As the only international city offering the choice of a public college or university in English or French, Montréal is home to institutions of higher learning and specialized institutes that are extremely diversified and respected worldwide. This is particularly true in the world of aviation and aerospace.

At the university graduate level, for example, a Master's program in aerospace engineering has been created with the participation of 14 companies and three Montréal universities. Namely, **Concordia and McGill Universities**, as well as **École Polytechnique**. This program directs students towards case studies and internships, and generates more productive industry-university ties.

Since September 1992, **Concordia University** has offered an IATA-initiated International Aviation Degree Program, an MBA program designed specifically for airline and aviation managers and focused on the ever-changing needs and priorities of the industry.

Moreover, the program has been designed to allow managers to study without seriously interrupting their responsibilities and careers. The degree can be obtained in 24 months through a series of six semesters of resident study in Montréal.

Between every semester, which is six weeks in duration, students are able to resume their responsibilities while preparing for the next resident study period at Concordia, long recognized as one

of the finest executive business facilities in Canada.

For its part, McGill University is home to the **McGill Institute of Air and Space Law**, as well as the **McGill Space Medicine Research Unit**.

The former is unique in the world in that it is the only academic institution offering a regular, full-time graduate program in the field of air and space law and granting, under strict academic standards, Diplomas, and Master's and Doctoral degrees in the subject. Here, full-time professors are assisted by adjunct professors and numerous world-class experts who come as visiting lecturers.

Moreover, the sheer volume of research work in the specialized fields of air and space law produced during the past 40 years by the Institute's faculty and students can hardly be matched by any other academic institution anywhere.

Some 675 students from 115 countries have successfully graduated to date and many are currently working in positions of key responsibility in the fields of international civil aviation and space applications.

Just a few minutes walk from ICAO headquarters is an internationally-renowned aviation educational facility that is also the only one of its kind in the world. It is the **International Aviation Management Training Institute (IAMTI)**.

Created by the Government of Canada and the Province of Québec, IAMTI's mandate is to promote the efficient development of international civil aviation and to advance the management of air transporta-

tion systems. It does so primarily through providing quality management training programs and services to aviation organizations worldwide.

IAMTI has successfully trained 3,000 managers from airlines, airports and civil aviation administrations of 156 countries. It has done so through short, extremely intensive courses of two to six weeks offered in English, French and Spanish.

IAMTI's programs have been conducted in Canada and 30 other countries by its international faculty of experts from all continents, in collaboration with ICAO, IATA and other regional and international aviation organizations. The practical content of the Institute's programs, its learning and methodology and its carefully designed learning environment have all been planned to provide a forum where managers can learn and share their experiences with colleagues and experts from around the world.

A not-for-profit organization, IAMTI is ideally positioned to support the mission of ICAO and other international organizations located in Montréal.

## STATE-OF-THE-ART MANUFACTURING

The world's largest international producer of flight simulators, **CAE Electronics Ltd.** was founded in 1947 to provide the military with electronic and electromechanical repair and overhaul services.

When the requirements for military hardware declined in the early 60s, the company expanded its efforts to meet the highly specialized requirements of the civil and military aircraft market for digital computer-controlled simulators.