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**MD HELICOPTERS ANNOUNCES TRANSITION TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS  
FOR EMBRY-RIDDLE STUDENTS AT HELI-EXPO 2022**

**DALLAS, TEXAS, March 8, 2022** – [MD Helicopters, Inc.](#) (MDHI) is excited to present Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU)-Prescott Campus students Darren Mudge and Oliver Myers with MD 500 Transition Training Scholarships. Each student received a training opportunity valued at approximately \$12,000. Both recipients will be present at MDHI's booth #9554 on Thursday, March 10 to meet the MDHI team and speak to fellow helicopter pilots and enthusiasts.

The MD 500 Transition Training Scholarship was developed to support the next generation of rotorcraft pilots. Over the scholarship's 11-year history, MD Helicopters has awarded more than two-hundred thousand dollars in training opportunities to 14 students.

An industry favorite, the MD 500 is an advanced, turbine-powered helicopter that delivers the highest speed, payload, and productivity in its class. The MD 500 Transition Training is a week-long, one-on-one training course held at MD Helicopters' headquarters and production facility in Mesa, Arizona. In addition to learning how to operate the aircraft, students learn integral helicopter systems, and important emergency procedures.

To qualify for the scholarship, ERAU students must hold a current or impending Certified Flight Instructor (CFI) rating, maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0, have a first- or second-class FAA-medical certificate, and submit two letters of recommendation and a video essay explaining how MD Transition Training would help launch their career.