

Course Specification

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Core Information

Awarding Body / Institution:	University of Wolverhampton		
School / Institute:	School of Engineering		
Course Code(s):	MA009H01UV MA009H31UV	Full-time Part-time	3 Years 6 Years
UCAS Code:	H033		
Course Title:	BEng (Hons) Motorsport Engineering		
Hierarchy of Awards:	Bachelor of Engineering with Honours Motorsport Engineering Bachelor of Engineering Motorsport Engineering Diploma of Higher Education Motorsport Engineering Certificate of Higher Education Engineering		
Language of Study:	English		
Date of DAG approval:	05/Oct/2015		
Last Review:	2014/5		
Course Specification valid from:	2014/5		
Course Specification valid to:	2020/1		

Academic Staff

Course Leader:	Graham Sparey-Taylor
Head of Department:	

Course Information

Location of Delivery:	University of Wolverhampton
Category of Partnership:	Not delivered in partnership
Teaching Institution:	University of Wolverhampton
Open / Closed Course:	This course is open to all suitably qualified candidates.

Entry Requirements:

Entry requirements are subject to regular review. The entry requirements applicable to a particular academic year will be published on the University website (and externally as appropriate e.g. UCAS)

- A Level grade BB or CDD to include Maths and either a technology or science-based subject, or equivalent qualification(s)
- BTEC National Diploma grade MMP, BTEC National Certificate grade DM.
- BTEC QCF Extended Diploma grade MMP, BTEC QCF Diploma grade DM.
- Applicants will normally be expected to hold GCSE English and Maths at grade C+/4 or above (or equivalent)
- If you've got other qualifications or relevant experience, please contact The Gateway for further advice before applying.
- International entry requirements and application guidance can be found on the University of Wolverhampton website
- Successful completion of the BSc(Hons) Science and Engineering with Foundation Year guarantees entry on to this course
- Successful completion of the International Foundation Year in Science and Engineering guarantees entry on to this course
- Other Requirements

Direct entry into the second year of the BEng course may ONLY be considered for applicants possessing a course leader pre-approved and pre-mapped, IMechE / IET accredited course where 120 credits have been passed at 65% or above and where the modules taken directly correlate to the BEng course

Direct entry into the third year of the BEng course may ONLY be considered for applicants possessing a course leader pre-approved and pre-mapped, IMechE / IET accredited course where 240 credits have been passed at 65% or above and where the modules taken directly correlate to the BEng course

Transfer from the BEng to the MEng course is under the discretion of the course leader. The minimum academic achievement for transfer from BEng to MEng is the equivalent of a lower second class honours degree.

Students must have studied a minimum of two years post GCSE level. However, it is expected that some applicants will be mature students with work experience, who wish to further their career development. These applicants will be processed through standard procedures, which may involve an interview as part of the process. Please see <http://wlv.ac.uk/mature> for further information.

Those who do not meet the entry requirements may be offered an alternative course

Distinctive Features of the Course:

The School of Engineering specialises in the integration of the mechanical, electrical, and electronics subject areas. The BEng Motorsport Engineering course reflects this emphasis and, in addition to gaining in-depth knowledge and understanding of the automotive subject, students also gain experience of designing engineering systems that incorporate aspects of the mechanical and electrical/electronic technologies.

The students use industry-standard software to facilitate design, analysis and synthesis activities; be taught by lecturers who have substantial industrial experience in an environment focused on working with, and

supporting engineering and technology companies.

The students will also benefit from the schools USP's and the integration into the curriculum of practical work & analysis, mimicking the working environment of post education. Club activities are used to offer kinesthetic outlets for students wishing to place themselves

ahead of competition by giving real experience while studying, these traits make the Motorsport Engineering course unique within the sector and when combined with the large local industry, offer graduates real future potential.

Educational Aims of the Course:

The overall aim of this course is to ensure graduates have a comprehensive engineering education combined with specialist knowledge of Motorsport Engineering, as recognised in the professional engineering community by an accredited degree. This ensures that graduates are equipped with the appropriate knowledge and enterprising spirit to practise professionally and ethically. Thus, the course will:

- address industry's demand for graduates who can apply the principles of Motorsport Engineering to the analysis and synthesis of products and systems across the Motorsport Engineering sector
- enable students to pursue professional careers in Motorsport Engineering at a level which requires the exercise of sound judgement, and initiative, and the ability to make informed decisions in complex and unpredictable circumstances that reflect a responsible, ethical, and socially aware outlook
- furnish students with a detailed understanding of the principles of Motorsport Engineering, combining and considering all its associated facets, enabling the rational selection of the most appropriate technology mix to solve engineering problems
- encourage practical, intellectual and transferable skills in Motorsport Engineering to be demonstrated through a staff lead club activities, being personally micro-managed at student level

develop a fundamental core of knowledge, understanding and practical skills at an appropriate level to permit the bearer to apply taught theory to industrially relevant project work.

Intakes:

Major Source of Funding:

Office for Students (OFS)

Tuition Fees:

Tuition fees are reviewed on an annual basis. The fees applicable to a particular academic year will be published on the University website.

Year	Status	Mode	Amount
2020/1	H	Full Time / Sandwich	£9250.00
2020/1	Overseas	Full Time / Sandwich	£12250.00
2020/1	H	Part Time	£3050.00
2020/1	Overseas	Part Time	£6125.00
2021/2	H	Full Time / Sandwich	£9250.00
2021/2	Overseas	Full Time / Sandwich	£12950.00
2021/2	H	Part Time	£3100.00
2022/3	H	Full Time / Sandwich	£9250.00
2022/3	Overseas	Full Time / Sandwich	£13450.00
2022/3	H	Part Time	£3120.00
2023/4	H	Full Time / Sandwich	£9250.00
2023/4	Overseas	Full Time / Sandwich	£14450.00

PSRB:

MA009H01UV (Full-time)

Professional Accreditation Body:
Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET)

Accrediting Body:
Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET)

Accreditation Statement:
Accredited by the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) on behalf of the Engineering Council for the purposes of fully meeting the academic requirement for registration as an Incorporated Engineer and partially meeting the academic requirement for registration as a Chartered Engineer.

Approved	Start	Expected End	Renewal
26/Apr/2019	01/Sep/2015	31/Aug/2022	31/Aug/2022

MA009H31UV (Part-time)

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Course Structure:

September (Full-time)

Full time and Sandwich Undergraduate Honours students normally study 120 credits per academic year; 60 credits semester 1 and 60 credits semester 2.

Part time students study alongside full time students. However, they do not study more than 80 credits in each academic calendar year.

Module	Title	Credits	Period	Type
4MM029	Engineering Mathematics I	20	SEM1	Core
4MA008	Engineering Science	20	SEM1	Core
4MA014	Engine and Chassis Design	20	SEM2	Core
4MM028	Engineering Mathematics II	20	SEM2	Core
4MA009	Computer Aided Design	20	SEM1	Core
4MA029	Industrial Design Project	20	SEM2	Core

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Module	Title	Credits	Period	Type
5MA034	Engine Design and Thermodynamics	20	SEM1	Core
5MA044	Applied Instrumentation and Control	20	SEM1	Core
5MA036	Solid Mechanics and FEA	20	SEM2	Core
5MA038	Enterprising Group Innovation Project	40	YEAR	Core
5MA037	Materials Science and Manufacturing	20	SEM2	Core

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Module	Title	Credits	Period	Type
6MA010	Road and Race Aerodynamics	20	SEM1	Core
6MA036	ESEE - Economic, Social, Ethical and Environmental	20	SEM2	Core
6MA045	Electronic Data Systems	20	SEM1	Core
6MA044	Composite Materials and Vehicle Dynamics	20	SEM2	Core
6MA038	Individual Innovation Project	40	YEAR	Core

Please note: Optional modules might not run every year, the course team will decide on an annual basis which options will be running, based on student demand and academic factors, to create the best learning experience.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment

Academic Regulations Exemption:

In situations where Professional Body and University regulations differ, the respective Professional Body (IET) regulation will have precedent over the exempted University regulation;

Section 1.2.5 - Exemption to permit less than 33% differentiation (mainly at Level 4 and Level 5) between the majority of named undergraduate Engineering degree programmes.

Section 4.4.1 - Exemption in accordance with Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) requirements. Compensation will be limited to no more than 20 credits at each level of study and maximum of 40 credits overall. There is no compensation permitted for independent study or postgraduate modules. Deferment of a project submission date at Level 6 or Level 7 is allowed only for exceptional reasons and for a maximum of three months.

APPROVED (by Chair's Action on 11/7/2019).

Section 5.2.2 - Exemption to use all Level 5 and Level 6 module grades excluding placement modules (assessed

using a Pass/Fail marking scheme) to contribute towards overall BEng classifications with aggregated weightings at each level of study as follows;

Level	Weighting
4	-
5	25%
6	75%

These above weightings also apply to any students studying less than 120 credits at Level 5.

For students being admitted directly at Level 6, on degrees which do not have professional accreditation, student degree classifications are based upon the average of their highest module grades achieved over 100 credits at Level 6 according to weightings listed below as follows;

Level	Weighting
4	-
5	-
6	100%

For accredited programmes, the PSRB will assess the educational qualifications of an applicant for either IEng or CEng status based upon the receipt of a certified transcript from the University Registry (and with the applicant's authorisation).

APPROVED on 17/5/2018.

Reference Points:

Quality Code - [Part A: Setting and Maintaining Academic Standards](#). Including :

[Qualifications Frameworks](#)

[Characteristics Statements](#)

[Credit Frameworks](#)

[Subject Benchmark Statements](#)

Quality Code - [Part B: Assuring and Enhancing Academic Quality](#)

[University Policies and Regulations](#)

Equality Act (2010)

The following PSRB and QAA subject benchmarks have been consulted in the development of learning outcomes of this course, thereby ensuring that the academic requirements of the appropriate PSRB, The Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE)) are addressed:

- Engineering Council UK-SPEC

Accreditation of Higher Education programmes (AHEP).

Overview of Assessment:

As part of the course approval process, the course learning outcomes were mapped to each of the modules forming the diet of the programme of study. This process confirmed that all course learning outcomes can be met through successful completion of the modules. This mapping applies to the final award as well as to all of the intermediate awards.

Learning Outcomes

Modules

CERTHE01 Demonstrate knowledge of the underlying concepts and principles associated with your area(s) of study, and an ability to evaluate and interpret these within the context of that area of study

CERTHE02 Demonstrate an ability to present, evaluate and interpret qualitative and quantitative data, in order to develop lines of argument and make sound judgements in accordance with basic theories and concepts of your subject(s) of study.

CERTHE03 Evaluate the appropriateness of different approaches to solving problems related to your area(s) of study and/or work

CERTHE04 Communicate the results of your study/work accurately and reliably, and with structured and coherent arguments

CERTHE05 Demonstrate the qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment requiring the exercise of some personal responsibility

DIPHE01 Demonstrate knowledge and critical understanding of the well-established principles of your area(s) of study, and of the way in which those principles have developed with an understanding of the limits of your knowledge, and how this influences analyses and interpretations based on that knowledge.

DIPHE02 Demonstrate the ability to apply underlying concepts and principles outside the context in which they were first studied, including, where appropriate, the application of those principles in an employment context.

DIPHE03 Demonstrate knowledge of the main methods of enquiry in the subject(s) relevant to the named award, and ability to evaluate critically the appropriateness of different approaches to solving problems in the field of study.

DIPHE04 Use a range of established techniques to initiate and undertake critical analysis of information, and to propose solutions to problems arising from that analysis.

DIPHE05 Effectively communicate information, arguments and analysis in a variety of forms to specialist and non-specialist audiences, and deploy key techniques of the discipline effectively.

DIPHE06 Demonstrate the qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment, requiring the exercise of personal responsibility and decision-making and undertake further training, developing existing skills and acquire new competences that will enable them to assume significant responsibility within organisations.

Teaching, Learning and Assessment:

The following learning activities support the achievement of the course learning outcomes:

1. Reading – core and supplementary texts, journals and electronic sources
2. Club activities, Formula Student & Racing (motorsport) however all activities will be available to students on this course

3. Group activities aimed at developing team-working skills in a multi-disciplinary environment
4. Preparing written presentations; both analytically and textually based
5. Oral presentations; both group and individual
6. Lectures and laboratory sessions
7. Group and individual tutorials
8. Engaging in informed discussion with fellow students and academic staff in tutorials and seminars
9. Information retrieval from articles, journals and books for assessments
10. Problem-based learning techniques, e.g. design projects, case studies
11. Providing solutions to meet real world problems/requirements
12. Solving closed and open ended problems
13. Using computer software and hardware to model and simulate products and engineering systems
14. Engaging in informed discussion with fellow students and academic staff in tutorials
15. Student led presentations
16. Researching articles, journals and books for assessments
17. Applying systematic methods to develop (novel) solutions
18. Coursework reports (technical and discursive)
19. Preparing for unseen examinations
20. Writing Project dissertation
21. Critical examination of data
22. Working within accepted guidelines
23. Simulation and problem solving exercises
24. Use vortex learning via the core projects each year to challenge and extend learning
25. Use of industrially placed guest lectures to enhance both learning experience but also employability
26. Use of industrially placed ex-students to give insight into job roles post education

Assessment Methods:

At the University of Wolverhampton, a variety of modes of assessment will be used to support and test your learning and progress and to help you develop capabilities that are valued beyond your University studies and into your working life. Your course may include a variety of assessment activities:

Written examinations (including online examinations, open and closed book examinations and quizzes)
Coursework (for example, essays, reports, portfolios, project proposals and briefs, CVs, poster presentation)
Practical (for example, oral and video presentations, laboratory work, performances, practical skills assessment)

In the final year of your undergraduate degree, and at the end of your postgraduate degree, you are likely to be expected to write an extended piece of work or research, such as a dissertation or a practice-based piece of research.

Student Support:

General University support:

[University Learning Centres](#) are the key source of academic information for students. Learning Centres provide physical library resources (books, journal, DVDs etc.) and offer a range of study areas to allow students to study in the environment that suit them best: Social areas, quiet and silent areas. Learning Centres also provide access to wide range of online information sources, including eBooks, e-Journals and subject databases.

Learning Centres also provide students with academic skills support via the [Skills for Learning programme](#). Students on campus can attend workshops or ask for one-to-one help on a range of skills such as academic writing and referencing. Students can access a range of online skills material at: www.wlv.ac.uk/lib/skills

The [University Student Support website](#) offers advice on a variety of matters (careers, counselling, student union advice, etc.) Students can also access these services by booking appointment with the SU, careers, counselling services, etc.

Course Specific Support

Enhanced learning support is provided in the following areas:

1. Support for mathematics and analytic-based modules via the Mathletics software package
2. Face-to-face tutorial sessions in mathematics
3. Report writing and oral/presentation communications skills
4. Learning centre – literature searches and information searches
5. Practical/lab/experimental activities and reporting
6. Research for project work (plus group assignments at L5/6)
7. Promotion of independent learning during tutorials, face-to-face sessions.

University provided support:

As well as providing general counselling support the University Counselling Service provides short courses on topics such as "Self Confidence", "Stress Management and Relaxation" and "Life Skills". They also provide study skills and academic support, providing short courses such as provide help in areas such as "Writing and Assignment Skills", "Exam Techniques", "Enhancing Professional Skills", "Personal Development Planning" and "Making Choices for the Future."

In addition to the subject knowledge that you will gain from studying on your course, there are opportunities available to develop a range of skills that will help with your academic work; such academic skills include giving presentations, group work, academic writing, referencing and time management (specific help for maths is also available). The Learning and Skills Team in Learning and Information Services (LIS) offer year around academic skills support and guidance to all students. Students who are new to academic study and unsure of how to get started, or any student who wants to improve on their academic performance can attend drop-in sessions and workshops, or obtain advice via email or Skype. More details about how the Learning and Skills Team can help you are available at: <http://www.wlv.ac.uk>

Employability in the Curriculum:

The combination of engineering skills, design capability, and management provides graduates of this course with a wide range of employment opportunities in technical environments across the world.

Motorsport engineers may choose industrially based careers in research and development, test, race teams, systems and vehicle development, performance and development engineering, component, and design engineering. They go on to co-ordinate product, process and system design; and manage technical projects in

a wide range of technical environments.

Graduates may also study for a taught postgraduate degree, MSc, or a research degree, MPhil/PhD.

The transferable skills gained during the course, including: project management, group working, and analytical thinking, also enable a graduate to pursue careers in non-technical fields such as: law, accountancy, authoring, and computing, expanded as per below;

Engineering / intellectual Skills

- Analyse a range of systems to meet testing, maintenance and design objectives
- Apply competently a range of testing, measurement, design and project management techniques
- Use effectively relevant engineering software tools
- Apply engineering techniques within industrial and commercial constraints

Transferable Skills

- Use analytical skills and relevant software tools for the analysis and presentation and communication of
- Engineering and business data.
- Demonstrate effective interpersonal skills and self-management
- Manage time and resources within a team to meet commercial and engineering objectives

Contribute to the effective management of design, production, and quality activities and project development in an industrial environment.

