Graham’s a winner

Senior manager Graham Wilson relishes a challenge and was determined to take the opportunity to go back to the classroom to further his education. Hard work and dedication paid off for the mature student from Ansdell and his top grades netted him a special award from the University of Central Lancashire.

Graham, 39, studied for an HND in Engineering Management at Preston College and recently received the Tim Curtis Award for Outstanding Progress – a prize awarded annually to students at UCLan’s partner colleges.

Graham, who is married to Beth and has a five year old son, Adam, is currently employed as a project manager with BAe Systems at Warton. In spite of coping with a high-pressure job, he decided to study at Preston on a day release basis. Now he’s been bitten by the learning bug: “It’s hard work working and studying”, he says, “But I’d like to do an engineering degree next.”

The Award is given in memory of the late Tim Curtis, a former Deputy Director of the University who was a passionate believer in extending education to those who may have missed out first time around.

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