



Motor sports students race for glory

Motor Sports students at the University of Central Lancashire are hot on the wheels of further success when they enter the 2003 Formula Student Competition.

Five final year students on the BEng (Hons) Motor Sports Engineering degree have designed and built a single seater car for a project which has formed part of their academic studies. The competition will come to an end later this month, when they'll get the chance to meet and compete with teams from all over the world at the special Formula Student Event in Leicester. In addition to the engineering challenge, the students are responsible for the marketing, time management, costing and budgeting of the project.

The University has been running a motor sports engineering degree for the past four years and the student team, UCLan Racing has already had considerable success in Formula Ford championships. Final year students in the special Formula UCLan team have gained lots of hands-on experience which will equip them for designing and building the entry for the competition and the students are feeling confident about the challenge.

"We're a small team, compared to other universities, but we've got a good chance of impressing the judges at the event with our simple and effective designs," says Daniel Boardman, technical director of the project and final year student. "One of the main aims of the project is to prove our skills to potential employers to help develop our future careers. If there's anyone out there who is interested in sponsoring us and using all the skills we've acquired, please get in touch!"

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Photo opportunity:

1. This year's Formula UCLan car will be available for photographs at the Wharf Building, University of Central Lancashire, Preston, on Tuesday 1 July and Wednesday 2 July. Please contact Daniel Boardman on 07970 533383 for further information.
2. Potential sponsors can ring Daniel Boardman on the above number, or email him at djboardman@uclan.ac.uk