



ENGINEERING  
SCHOLARSHIP

**YOUR FUTURE  
IN MOTORSPORT  
ENGINEERING  
STARTS HERE**

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OF THE FIA SCHOLARSHIP**



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# PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

**Dear Aspiring Motorsport Professionals,**

Behind every car on track, every race victory, and every world champion lies the skill and expertise of engineers and mechanics who make high performance possible.

Motorsport is built on their passion, innovation, and pursuit of technical excellence.

For some, access to a world-class education may feel out of reach. But we're bridging that gap by reducing barriers, lowering costs and providing talented scholars with the tools to achieve their dreams.

Empowering the next generation of talent and diversifying motorsport is at the core of enabling our sport to grow and thrive from the grassroots to the global stage.

**The FIA and Cranfield University share this mission.**

Since we launched the FIA Engineering Scholarship in 2022, it has trained and inspired talented young students from around the world. Through world-leading education, global opportunities, and financial support, our programme opens doors to exciting careers in motorsport and mobility development both on and off the track.

I know firsthand how opportunity and support can transform potential into achievement.

With this in mind, I encourage you to apply and take this first step in your journey, because you are the future of our sport.

**Sincerely,**



**MOHAMMED BEN SULAYEM - FIA PRESIDENT**



# FIA ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

## DO YOU WANT TO BE A MOTORSPORT ENGINEER?

The FIA is offering one student a fully funded MSc in **Advanced Motorsport Mechatronics** at Cranfield University (UK).

First launched in 2022, the FIA engineering scholarship enables talented students to receive an exceptional postgraduate education at Cranfield University and gain access to elite careers in motorsport engineering.

- The MSc in Advanced Motorsport Mechatronics uniquely covers the design, testing and operation of competition vehicles, and related aspects of control engineering, computer modelling, embedded systems, alongside vehicle dynamics, vehicle systems, and management techniques related to motorsport.
- Graduates in motorsport engineering from Cranfield often progress to prestigious roles with leading teams, manufacturers, and the FIA.
- Please note: We will continue to prioritise applicants from underrepresented backgrounds. The FIA is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive motorsport future. We want to help promising students to break down barriers, and realise their dream careers in motorsport - wherever they come from.



# DREAMS COME TRUE

## THE FIA ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP COVERS:

- › Full tuition fees for MSc in Advanced Motorsport Mechatronics  
The fees for academic year 2026/2027 are set at £29,025
- › A quarterly stipend up to £14,000 to cover accommodation and personal living expenses in the UK  
The cost of living in the UK can be a significant barrier, even for students whose tuition fees are covered. An additional bursary is provided to ensure you can focus fully on your studies and career.
- › Roundtrip economy flight from your country of residence to the UK.  
The bursary intends to cover the cost of the logistics.
- › The FIA will further support the student with mentorship, networking opportunities and additional training at motorsport events.  
Beyond the classroom, the scholar will have access to a world class motorsport event held in the UK and an exclusive series of technical webinars, offering direct insight into the industry's latest advancements and safety protocols.
- › Upon successful graduation, the scholar will be offered an internship with the FIA, providing an unparalleled launchpad for their professional career.  
This is a critical bridge from academic theory to professional practice. The internship will allow students to apply their knowledge in the real world, offering direct experience at the very heart of global motorsport.



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SANYA JAIN - INDIA

**What first sparked your passion for motorsport engineering, and what was the moment you knew this was the career for you?**

My passion for motorsport began the day I watched my first Formula 1 race, captivated not just by the speed or sound, but by the perfect synchrony of human skill and engineering precision. I was fascinated by how science, creativity, and teamwork combine to extract every fraction of performance from a machine. That moment became a turning point; I realised I didn't just want to watch innovation on track; I wanted to be part of creating it.

**What motivated you to apply for the FIA Engineering Scholarship?**

The FIA Engineering Scholarship represents more than academic excellence, it embodies opportunity, purpose, and change. As a woman of colour from India and an international student in Canada, I've often found myself in spaces where representation is rare. I applied because I wanted to bridge that gap, to bring both my technical skills and my perspective to an industry that thrives on innovation through diversity. The FIA's commitment to inclusivity, safety, and sustainability deeply resonates with my own values, making this scholarship the perfect alignment of passion and purpose.

**How are you finding Cranfield and the campus environment?**

Cranfield truly feels like the heart of motorsport innovation. The facilities are world-class, and the collaborative environment allows students to think beyond textbooks and into real-world engineering challenges. From the moment I arrived, I felt surrounded by people who share the same drive to innovate, create, and make a difference in the sport. It's an ecosystem that brings research, industry, and passion together in a way that feels uniquely purposeful.

**What advice would you give to new applicants?**

Tell your story with authenticity and conviction. Motorsport thrives on people who are driven by curiosity and courage, qualities that don't depend on where you come from, but on how determined you are to learn and contribute. My advice would be to highlight not only what you've achieved technically, but why it matters to you. The FIA looks for individuals who see engineering as a means to advance both performance and progress.

**What change or contribution do you want to make in motorsport?**

I want to help shape a motorsport industry that is both high-performing and human-centred, where cutting-edge engineering coexists with inclusion, safety, and sustainability. Technically, I aspire to contribute to the next generation of vehicle systems and powertrains that push efficiency and performance in unison. Beyond that, I want to use my platform to mentor others and advocate for those who haven't yet seen themselves represented in this field. Motorsport's future should reflect the diversity of its global audience, and I'm determined to help make that a reality.

## SCHOLAR 2023 / 2024

*"The FIA Engineering Scholarship at Cranfield launched my career trackside. I'm now applying my knowledge in the most thrilling environment imaginable, learning from top professionals and living the adrenaline of motorsport every day. I am profoundly grateful to the FIA for this incredible opportunity."*

**JESICA SALVINI**

DATA & SYSTEMS ENGINEER, ELMS

## SCHOLAR 2024 / 2025

*"Receiving the FIA Scholarship has been the most defining and proudest achievement of my journey into motorsport."*

*My year at Cranfield University, strengthened my technical foundation in advanced engineering and sharpened my problem-solving mindset enabling me to turn challenges into opportunities and vision into skill.*

*I remain profoundly grateful to the President of the FIA and the entire FIA team for their continued support, not only throughout my academic journey but also in guiding my path toward a meaningful and impactful career in engineering."*

**MUHAMMAD YASIR**

MSC IN ADVANCED MOTORSPORT ENGINEERING

# MOTORSPORT ENGINEERING WORLD AWAITS -

## WHY CRANFIELD?

Cranfield is a unique postgraduate University specialising in technology and management. Located at the heart of the UK's Motorsport valley, Cranfield's courses are developed in collaboration with motorsport businesses.

Steered and supported by senior motorsport professionals, Cranfield's courses are designed to meet the needs of the international motorsports sector.

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ACADEMIC STAFF  
TO STUDENT RATIO

**6X WINNER**

OF THE QUEEN'S ANNIVERSARY  
PRIZE FOR HIGHER AND  
FURTHER EDUCATION

**8<sup>TH</sup>**

IN THE UK FOR EMPLOYABILITY  
(CWUR, 2025)

**5000+**

POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS  
FROM 100+ COUNTRIES

**IN THE**
**TOP 10%**

OF ALL UNIVERSITIES  
ACROSS THE WORLD FOR  
SUSTAINABILITY WORK

**88%**

OF CRANFIELD RESEARCH IS WORLD  
LEADING OR INTERNATIONALLY  
EXCELLENT

**TOP 35 IN THE WORLD**

FOR ENGINEERING (MECHANICAL, AERONAUTICAL  
& MANUFACTURING)

2025 QC WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING BY SUBJECT

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# WE WANT YOU

We want to help an exceptional student to achieve their dream.  
**Do you have what it takes?**

## WHO CAN APPLY?

- › Have an undergraduate degree in science or engineering, that will enable you to gain entry to Advanced Motorsport Mechatronics MSc at Cranfield University – this is typically equivalent to an upper second class 2:1 honors degree in the UK; or
- › An equivalent international qualification (find out whether your qualification meets the program requirements by visiting Cranfield's International entry requirements page); or
- › Student must meet the English language requirements for course, consult Cranfield's page for details: <https://www.cranfield.ac.uk/study/application-guide/entry-requirements>
- › Highly motivated individual with passion for motorsport and strong personal and interpersonal skills



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**1**

Applications are open and will close on **20<sup>th</sup> of March 2026.**

For detailed information about programmes, visit Cranfield University's website.

**2**

If you have any further questions about the FIA engineering scholarship, contact [scholarship@fia.com](mailto:scholarship@fia.com)

**3**

Follow the standard application process and fill out the relevant application form on [www.cranfield.ac.uk](http://www.cranfield.ac.uk)

In your 'Personal statement', explain **why you consider yourself to be a strong candidate for the FIA scholarship.**

In the 'Funding' section, refer to the **FIA scholarship as the intended way to fund your degree.**

**4**

Cranfield University **will review applications** using their standard admissions procedures and selected candidates will be interviewed in **April 2026.**

**5**

**Shortlisted candidates** will be interviewed by the FIA in **May 2026.**