Welcome to Aerospace Engineering

If you’re excited about aerospace engineering and keen to excel then our recently established degree courses will give you the competitive edge for a successful career in the aerospace sector.

For many years the University of Nottingham has been undertaking ground-breaking research across diverse areas of the aerospace field including aeroengine transmissions, aerospace materials and structures, manufacturing for aerospace, aerospace operations and aircraft electrical systems. Our course will provide you with broad, whole sector knowledge and high quality aerospace-focused teaching.

Our industrial links with companies including Airbus, BAE Systems, Boeing, Bombardier and Rolls Royce, help shape all courses, which are carefully designed to make use of our new, purpose-built teaching spaces, wind tunnels and flight simulator.

We offer a supportive learning environment to allow you to reach your full potential as well as industrial placement opportunities to strengthen your employability.

This brochure gives you an introduction to our courses and the fantastic opportunities that lie ahead of you. For more information you can contact me, the course director, Dr Kathy Simmons, kathy.simmons@nottingham.ac.uk

We’re keen to recruit the best and we look forward to welcoming you to Nottingham.

Dr Kathy Simmons
Course Director and Admissions Tutor for Aerospace Engineering, Faculty of Engineering

To find out where a degree in aerospace engineering can take you, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/aerospace
Studying aerospace engineering at Nottingham

Our teaching is underpinned by world-leading research, with £75m of funding awarded to our Institute for Aerospace Technology from industry giants such as Airbus, Rolls-Royce and BAE Systems.

Careers
There are wide-ranging employment opportunities for aerospace engineers across a range of job functions, from technical to managerial.

The University’s engineering graduates are highly employable and we look forward to seeing our aerospace engineering students graduate into positions of innovation, responsibility and leadership as our course matures.

We are confident that our commitment to research and teaching excellence combined with strong links to industry will put Nottingham and our graduates at the forefront when it comes to finding a job.

Equally, you may decide to progress onto postgraduate study and either pursue an MSc or focus on research and study for a PhD.

Developing your potential
At Nottingham, we like to see individuals succeed to the best of their capability. We provide a stimulating learning environment that both challenges and supports you throughout your course, and our personal tutor system ensures you always have close contact with an academic staff member.

High-quality research
The Research Excellence Framework (REF) is the system for assessing the quality of research in UK higher education institutions. According to REF 2014, in the Faculty of Engineering over 98% of research is of international quality, while 86% is ‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’.

Institute for Aerospace Technology Scholarship 2018
For 2018 entry, all high achieving UK and EU students (AAA at A level) are eligible for a £1000 scholarship awarded in first year.

For more information, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/enquire

Our courses

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Required subjects
All courses: A level general studies and critical thinking not accepted as part of the grade offer. Maths is essential – A level grade A or IB Higher Level 6 or Standard Level 7. Physics is a highly preferred subject, however offers are sometimes made to applicants without this.

If you have not studied maths or physics at A level, you could consider applying for the Engineering Foundation Year Programme.

For more information, see nottingham.ac.uk/foundationyear

English language requirements
IELTS 6.0 (no less than 5.5 in any element). For more information and a list of the alternative English language requirements we accept, please see nottingham.ac.uk/go/alternativerequirements

Developing your academic English and study skills
Students who require extra support to meet the English language requirements for their academic course can attend a professional course at the Centre for English Language Education (CELE) to prepare for their future studies. Students who pass at the required level can progress directly to their academic programme without needing to retake IELTS.

For more information, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/cele

Bursary
Over one third of our UK students receive our means-tested core bursary, worth up to £2,000 a year. For details, see nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport

To find out where a degree in aerospace can take you, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/engineering/aerospace
BEng | MEng Aerospace Engineering

Our courses are offered at both MEng and BEng levels with the MEng consisting of four taught years and the BEng consisting of three.

Year one and two
All students follow a common programme of study for the first two years, studying material that provides comprehensive core expertise in aerospace engineering and aircraft technology. A key feature of the first year is the make and test project, where you will use the skills and knowledge developed throughout the year to design a model-scale glider.

Year two builds on year one with more advanced content in all the key subject areas. The design, make and test project this year focuses on aircraft design and control.

Years three and four
Years three and four provide the opportunity to specialise in certain subject areas and study advanced topics. An individual research project is a key element in final year for all our courses.

Accreditation
As these degree courses are new they cannot yet be accredited. However we are following the defined and recognised processes for becoming accredited by the Royal Aeronautical Society, the Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET), and the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE) under licence from the UK regulator, the Engineering Council.

Accreditation is a mark of assurance that the degree meets the standards set by the Engineering Council in the UK Standard for Professional Engineering Competence (UKSPEC).

For more detailed course content visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/aerospace

The most exciting thing about our course so far is the integrated project. We’ve been working in small groups to build a glider that should go the distance we’ve calculated. Tasks like this have allowed me to develop the skills industry are looking for, like the ability to work as a team as well as showing leadership. We’ve got really good contacts with personal tutors and our course director too – they’re always there to help us if we need to know anything.

Emily Terry, first year, BEng Aerospace Engineering

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Degrees with a year in industry

A year in industry is a fantastic opportunity for students to practice and develop their engineering skills, providing valuable professional experience which is key to achieving Chartered Engineer status.

Benefits
A year in industry will give a significant boost to both employment and academic prospects. Research previously conducted by High Fliers Research showed that more than a third of graduate jobs are being filled by candidates who already have work experience with that employer. Getting a year in industry placement is therefore a great way into the job market after graduation. The skills and maturity that students develop while out on placement also have a positive impact on their final degree results, which of course further enhances employability.

Support
Our dedicated Industrial Placement Team works closely with the Careers and Employability Service to support students in finding the right placement. Companies also visit the University from September to March to recruit students for industrial placements. The benefits of a year in industry are well recognised, and as such our degrees with an industrial year are very popular. Likewise, securing a year in industry placement is a highly competitive process, and students are responsible for submitting their own applications, which may include attendance at interviews and assessment centres. We therefore expect students to commit additional time to their academic studies to this process.

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Engaging study, incredible results

Engines are among the busiest students on campus. On average, you will have around 20-22 contact hours a week in years one and two. Combined with coursework and self-study, you may spend over 40 hours a week on your studies.

For most modules, the primary method of building your knowledge will be through lectures. Some modules will involve laboratory classes where you work in small groups and seminars. Academics and postgraduate tutors are available for one-to-one support and our personal tutor system will ensure that you always have close contact with an academic staff member.

Our extensive facilities allow students to get hands-on experience.

Students also spend around 30 hours in the engineering workshop in the first year, fully supported by our professional technicians. Health and safety are of primary importance to us and you are issued with your own personal protective equipment (PPE) including safety footwear, eye protection and labcoat.

**How will I study?**

For more information about studying aerospace engineering visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/aerospace

**How will I be assessed?**

All undergraduate degree programmes in the University are modular, which means you undertake modules of study with assessment at the end of each academic year or each semester as appropriate.

Your learning will be assessed in different ways according to the learning objectives. Most modules will be assessed using a mixture of coursework, exams and project work with the proportion varying depending on the module. In some cases you might be asked to give an assessed presentation.

An important part of learning comes through constructive feedback and you will receive appropriate and comprehensive feedback on all your coursework.

**Key Information Sets**

Key Information Sets (KIS) are comparable sets of information about full or part-time undergraduate courses and are designed to meet the information needs of prospective students. All KIS data is published on the Unistats website: unistats.co.uk

Aerospace Engineering courses are new and as yet there is no KIS data from them, but you can look at data for mechanical and electrical and electronic engineering courses. For Nottingham’s KIS data, please see individual course entries at nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy

**A typical first year undergraduate timetable**

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How to apply

All applications for an undergraduate place to study at the University of Nottingham, including applications by international students, must be made through UCAS.

Applications should be made online at ucas.com and candidates will be notified of decisions through UCAS using UCAS Track.

Your personal statement

This is the section of your UCAS form that tells us most about you, and you should make the best use of it. Be as specific and detailed as you can – we would like to see that you are a student who can work hard, be self-motivated and make the best possible use of the opportunities that our courses offer you. We would also like to hear about any skills you have gained through extracurricular activities.

Alternative qualifications

In this brochure you will find our A level entry requirements but we accept a much broader range of qualifications. These include:

- Access to HE Diploma*
- Advanced Diploma*
- BTEC HND/HNC*
- BTEC Extended Diploma*
- Cambridge Pre-U
- International Baccalaureate
- Irish Leaving Certificate
- Scottish Advanced Highers
- Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced Diploma*

This list is not exhaustive; we will consider applicants with other qualifications on an individual basis. Please contact kathy.simmons@nottingham.ac.uk to discuss the suitability of your qualification.

Flexible admissions policy

We recognise that some educational and personal circumstances affect achievement. If we judge that you have experienced circumstances that have adversely affected your achievement, we will consider them when assessing your academic potential. Some courses may vary the offer as a result. For the most up to date information about our offers, please see the entry requirements section of our course pages on our online prospectus. For more information about this policy, please see nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying

Over one third of our UK students receive our means-tested core bursary, worth up to £2,000 a year. For details, see nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport

Mature applicants

We welcome applications from mature applicants who have a significant gap in education. You should apply in the normal way through UCAS. More information for mature students can be found at nottingham.ac.uk/mature

International applicants

The University provides a range of information and advice for international applicants. If you are unable to attend an open day, we can meet you in your country at one of our overseas events or arrange an individual visit to the University. For further information please visit nottingham.ac.uk/go/international-applicants

Deferred entry

Applicants who wish to defer their entry by a year will not be at a disadvantage. Please tell us something about your plans for your gap year in your UCAS personal statement.

Equal opportunities policy

The University aims to create the conditions whereby students and staff are treated solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of gender, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, age, socio-economic background, disability, religious or political beliefs, trade union membership, family circumstances, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.

* On a case by case basis

To find out how to apply please visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying
The Institute for Aerospace Technology (IAT)

The University of Nottingham has an illustrious legacy of high impact aerospace research held within our prestigious Institute for Aerospace Technology (IAT), based at our Jubilee Campus.

Working closely with a wide range of aerospace companies including Rolls Royce, Boeing and Airbus, the Institute has a portfolio of projects worth £75m. The UK has the second largest aerospace sector in the world and more people use our work on aerospace than any other university in the UK.

The IAT works across these five key themes:

- **Aero Engines and Propulsion** – key technologies related to engines and propulsion systems
- **Aerospace Manufacturing** – innovative methods to manufacture aircraft structures using the latest tools and techniques
- **Aerospace Materials and Structures** – developing new materials and structures to enable more efficient flight
- **Aerospace Operations** – enabling fuel efficient and passenger friendly experiences
- **More Electric Aircraft** – delivering advanced electrical technologies to enable lighter and more controllable aircraft

We have over 70 externally funded projects with a team of 400 scientists and engineers.

Rolls-Royce has enjoyed a long and successful partnership with the University including two University Technology Centres researching aero-engine transmissions and manufacturing technologies.

John Rishton, Former CEO of Rolls-Royce Plc

Find out more about the IAT’s research: nottingham.ac.uk/aerospace
World class for employability

112,000 people

UK aerospace industry is the second largest in the world, directly employing 112,000 people.

Our courses have a strong focus on preparation for professional practice. Modules are designed to meet the standards set by industry.

My time at Airbus has been highly exciting and it is particularly gratifying to actively contribute to real aircraft that will soon be flying around the world. Since starting at Airbus I have realised that the main thing that I took away from my time at Nottingham was the way I viewed engineering problems and how to solve them. Beyond this, working in industry has opened my eyes to the importance of team working, something which was ingrained in me from the first year at Nottingham.

Sam Crawshay-Jones, Airbus, MEng Mechanical Engineering

£22,000–£28,000

Starting salaries for aerospace engineers range from £22,000–£28,000. At senior levels, salaries of £45,000 to £60,000+ can be reached.*

Careers and Employability Service

Our Careers and Employability Service has a team dedicated to Faculty of Engineering students. They will be on hand to offer you specialist support and guidance throughout your degree and for life after you graduate. Whether you need help writing a CV, preparing for an interview or exploring career ideas, you can book one-to-one appointments or come along to a workshop. Each term there is also an exciting events schedule, bringing you face-to-face with employers offering real-life insight into their professions.

The Nottingham Advantage Award

The award-winning Nottingham Advantage Award recognises and rewards your extracurricular activities. With a choice of over 200 modules, you can hone the key skills employers want. From developing your leadership skills and learning a language to public speaking and volunteering, you will leave university with demonstrable experience that sets you apart from other graduates. For further information, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/careers/advantage

Find out more about the Careers and Employability Service at nottingham.ac.uk/careers

Find out where Nottingham could take you and network with our graduates on LinkedIn.

* Known destinations of full-time home first degree undergraduates 2014/15. Salaries are calculated based on those in full-time paid employment within the UK.
Experience it in a world beyond ordinary

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Get involved in your Students' Union
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Exploring your new city
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Your new city

Sport
The University of Nottingham is one of the UK’s leading universities for sport and is currently ranked 4th in the university sport rankings*. We have one of the biggest portfolios of sports facilities in the country including the brand new £40m David Ross Sports Village. We also have a rich heritage of supporting Olympic medallists and we have more than 70 student sports clubs to choose from. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/sport

* British Universities and Colleges Sport Standings, 2015-16.

Your opportunity to study abroad
We offer a range of study abroad opportunities with many students having the option to live and study in another country as part of their university career. Studying or working abroad is a fantastic opportunity to broaden your horizons, experience different cultures, and develop the key skills that employers are looking for. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/studywithus/studyabroad

Your support network
Throughout your university journey there will be numerous people on hand to support and advise you, including tutors and dedicated staff. We have Student Service Centres on all three of our UK campuses, which provide a range of support, information and specialist services. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices

Learn a language
The University’s Language Centre gives you the opportunity to study a language alongside your course. All languages are offered from beginners’ level with some going up to near native competency. There are nine languages to choose from: Modern Standard Arabic, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, Russian, and Spanish. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/language-centre

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The University’s Language Centre gives you the opportunity to study a language alongside your course. All languages are offered from beginners’ level with some going up to near native competency. There are nine languages to choose from: Modern Standard Arabic, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, Russian, and Spanish. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/language-centre

Music
All student musicians at the University of Nottingham are encouraged to get involved with the vibrant musical life on campus. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/music/performance

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