



**Yashas**

## STUDYING

**Aerospace  
Engineering with Pilot  
Studies BEng**

## YEAR

**Going into 3rd year.**

## FUTURE CAREER FOCUS

**Pilot**



# Q&A

### WHERE IS YOUR FAVOURITE PLACE ON CAMPUS?

**My Favourite place on campus is the Oval, on college lane. It is my go-to place to relax, play foosball or even work in one of the pods available. Additionally, it has a 24x7 gym facility and also active students' sessions to get the everyday physical activity sorted out.**

### IF YOU COULD DO ANYTHING DIFFERENTLY IN YOUR TIME AT UNIVERSITY SO FAR, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

**I'd join more societies and meet more diverse people in my first year. I realised that the first year is the most relaxed in terms of the curriculum and the best year to try out extra curriculums.**

### WHAT IS YOUR GO TO MEAL TO COOK?

**Mornings I'd love to have a toast and a bowl of granola with some fruit. For lunch, I'd either make pasta, curry and rice or if I have a busy schedule, I'd grab some lunch from the world foods menu at the restaurant on campus.**

### HOW DID YOU MAKE YOUR FIRST FRIEND AT UNIVERSITY?

**I attended a fresher's event that took place the day I moved in on campus. Found a couple of freshers on the way to the event and we got talking. Pro tip: Never miss freshers' week, you might miss the chance of making friends for life.**

### WHAT IS IT LIKE LIVING ON CAMPUS?

**The atmosphere is great on campus. You've like minded students around you with events happening very often. The best part is the vicinity to the lecture halls. There isn't a worry about commuting, waking up too early just to reach on time. You could get back to your flat in between two sessions during a break and not worry about carrying a whole backpack of essentials. On the downside, it's much pricier than off campus and you pay every time you need to use the laundry.**

### **WERE YOU THE FIRST IN YOUR FAMILY TO GO TO UNI?**

**Yes, also the first one to study abroad at the undergraduate level. It has been a great journey from being dependant on family for 18 years to being completely independent in no time. The feeling of responsibility and freedom is awesome!**

### **HOW DO YOU AFFORD UNI, WHAT DO YOU DO FOR MONEY?**

**As an international student, I don't have the option of receiving student finance. I've worked part-time at a retail store amidst my studies to cover my living expenses. It's a great way to gain experience and enhance your soft skills which employers appreciate in the future.**

### **THE HARDEST THING FOR ME ABOUT GOING TO UNIVERSITY WAS:**

**Staying away from family. Being entirely dependent on family throughout my childhood, the sudden change in the surroundings, atmosphere and the independence was quite challenging to deal with. But the liveliness on campus, the diversity and support from the university did make me overcome the feeling of homesickness.**

### **WHAT'S THE MOST EXCITING THING ABOUT MY COURSE?**

**Studying aerospace has given me numerous opportunities. Firstly, the flight simulators, accessible whenever I wish to fly. It has a whole range of aircraft built in and I can fly around different airports across the UK and the world. Added to that, there are a couple of trips to either airfields or an industry which is organised by the university. Last year, I visited Airbus company at Stevenage and got a complete factory tour.**

### **WHAT ARE THE PERKS OF DOING AEROSPACE ENGINEERING?**

**The main highlight of my degree is the pilot studies portion. This whole module explains in depth about the flight controls, rules and principles of flight. Adding to that, everyone in my course has to obtain 20 hours of flight experience by flying a single engine plane (flight school fees paid separately). The joy of learning about a plane in theory and to get to fly one alongside is the best.**

### **WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF HIGHER EDUCATION?**

**University is a place where you get to experience learning. Unlike school where most of the content is theory, you barely get to do experiments and gain practical knowledge.**

**Be it any field of study, ranging from photography/ videography, law and engineering. You have projects which give you hands on experience. Like creating your own short movie or participating in a mock trial when you study law or use flight and car simulators for automotive and aerospace students.**