

Hello my fellow proud Zealians! I am Pratik Magar and I completed my B.E. in Mechanical Engineering from Zeal College of Engineering and Research in 2016. I owe a lot of what I am today and where I stand to my college as it has played a crucial role in shaping my personality. I always hoped to excel not just in academics but give my best in the co-curricular and extracurricular activities as well. Zeal has given me every opportunity to explore my interests. I have been fortunate enough to be trained by some excellent teachers who have always given their maximum and ensured that we understood the concept being taught. They were also very approachable when we had any doubts which only made the learning process a holistic one.

One of the most important activities that I remember was my participation in the International Go-Kart Championship held in Lovely Professional University, Punjab. In this competition, we were a team of 20 students with a task of designing and building a complete Go-Kart from scratch, competing with colleges all across the country. I was the lead designer in the team, and it was my responsibility to design a fully functional Go-Kart. I had to implement knowledge from almost every course that I had learned in college. The competition was a huge success and we got vast amounts of experience from this event and most importantly reinforced our classroom learning through on-field experience. For my extra-curricular activities, I was involved in activities such as street play as well as coordinated and hosted numerous cultural & sports events. These included Inter-College Sports Competitions, Zeal Talentron, Nirmaan, and Zeal TVC to name a few. They helped me sharpen my management skills and taught me key skills required to be an effective professional. Post my Bachelor's degree, I completed my Masters in Mechanical Engineering specializing in Automotive Mechatronics and Design from Purdue University in 2019.

My future plan is to start my own automotive company in India. I have always tried to gain knowledge and experience pertaining to this goal and the work I am currently doing at Faurecia Emission Control Technologies as an Industrial Program Leader is taking me one step closer to my goal each day. I would like to conclude by telling the future generation of engineers from Zeal that never lose perseverance and focus and keep striving till you reach your goals and always remaining grateful to those who have helped you achieve them. Wishing you all the best for your future!