

The Engineers of the Future

“I would not be exaggerating to state that Arkwright has quite literally changed my life, as the route I have taken, would not otherwise have been open.”

As an average student Gillian was on target to pass all her exams, but not a straight A grade pupil. At her Arkwright interview her passion for design and technology was evident and the interviewers recognised her potential. Sponsored by Lloyds Register of Shipping, Bryan Batten, who now sits on Arkwright’s Advisory Committee, provided Gillian with encouragement and support with great enthusiasm for her projects.

As an Arkwright Scholar Gillian supported Davison High School for Girls by giving presentations while they applied for Technology status. During this time she was offered sponsorship for her degree by Thales. Their Undergraduate scheme has provided Gillian with the opportunity to work in various departments gaining an overall understanding of the company; including work on the maintenance of a simulator in Tokyo.

Gillian now works as a Sales Engineer at Thales Training and Simulation, her role includes supporting Sales Managers, requiring an overall perception of the bids and sales to ensure continuity with projects when Managers are overseas. She also travels visiting potential and current customers.

“There were six other Arkwright Scholars on my degree course which I chose for its broad base and Management and Marketing content.”

Gillian Roberts

“18 Arkwright Scholars have studied here among them Gillian an enthusiastic, lively, able and diligent young lady who made the most, especially when designing, of the wide range of opportunities available at Loughborough University. We are looking forward to welcoming many more Scholars to the University, developing stronger links and supporting The Arkwright Scholarships Trust in the future.”

John S Smith, Head of Department of Design and Technology, Loughborough University

Gillian while working voluntarily for Hope and Peace Trust in Nicaragua during summer 2001.



**Gillian Roberts
Scholarship Awarded 1995 - 97**

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and Diploma in Professional Studies

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‘A’ Levels

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- Business Studies
- English

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