

# Western Formula SAE Racing

## November 2006:

The University of Western Ontario's 2006-2007 entry for Formula SAE is well underway. Over the course of the summer and early fall, there have been some major changes with the team and its infrastructure. With many of the 2006 team either graduating or going on internships, there has been a restructuring of the team management and organization. Despite the loss of some key members Western Formula SAE is at an all time high for membership turn out and recruitment, producing over 35 core members!

Along with the many improvements within the team, the facilities provided by the university have been renovated. Throughout the late summer and early fall the team was placed in a temporary location in the basement giving just enough room to get by. However to see the old crowded shop transformed into a clean organized space with far more room than before was completely worth the wait!



*Picture to the right: Renovated SAE shop in the Spencer Engineering Building*



Although the team turn out is at an all time high, the amount of work needing to be completed has only increased. With the team setting high goals and standards for the 2007 car, many in depth projects are well underway. A number of students' 4<sup>th</sup> year design projects will be incorporated into subsections of this year's car, thus providing a more in depth data and design of the car's components.

*Picture to the left: Progress of the 2007 Chassis*

The team has past the half way mark in this semester and is working hard, not only on the car, but also in obtaining support for more sponsors, while showcasing the car and team for Western. With Exams less than 1 month away there will be a big push to increase the progress in order to give the team some breathing room, as once Christmas break begins you can be sure to see Western Formula SAE Racing putting in some hard hours to ensure 2007 success.