



Apprenticeship in Trowel Occupations

INTRODUCTION

An Apprenticeship in Trowel Occupations gives you experience in the workplace while you are learning. The Apprenticeship confirms occupational competence within the construction industry and develops your knowledge to enable you to progress onto further training, which can lead to employment in site supervision and management roles.

WHAT WILL I DO

Throughout the course you will cover 5 Mandatory units and 1 optional unit:

Mandatory Units:

- VR01 – Conform to General Workplace Safety
- VR02 – Conform to Efficient Work Practices
- VR03 – Move and Handle Resources
- VR40 – Erect Masonry Structures
- VR41 – Set Out Masonry Structures

Optional Units (any one unit from the following):

- VR42 – Erect Masonry Cladding
- VR43 – Lay Domestic Drainage
- VR44 – Erect Thin Joint Masonry Structures
- VR45 – Place and Finish Non-specialist Concrete
- VR46 – Plaster and render Surfaces
- VR47 – Maintain Slate and Tile Roofing

Candidates are also required to complete the following:

- Technical Certificate Diploma in Bricklaying
- Functional Skills in Maths and English Level 1
- Employment Rights and Responsibilities (ERR)
- CSCS Health and Safety Certificate
- Abrasive Wheels Certificate

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE

The Apprenticeship runs for two years on a day release basis with work based assessment.



ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS

Entry to the course will be considered in relation to the candidate's previous knowledge and experience. 1 GCSE at grade C or above in either English and Maths and 2 additional GCSE at grade D in Science or equivalent qualifications are required, as well as a good reference and good communication skills. Brickwork Apprentices have to be employed, for a minimum of 30 hours a week (including day release) at a workplace which has to be approved for Health and Safety purposes by the Apprenticeship Team. Employers have to be willing to sign up to the training agreement and have to be prepared for the Training Adviser to visit the workplace every 8-12 weeks for training reviews and regular Health and Safety checks.

As well as studying for their Apprenticeship we expect all learners to complete a Functional Skills portfolio to level 1 in Maths and English.

WHERE COULD IT LEAD

Successful completion of this course could enhance employment opportunities within the industry or the opportunity to progress onto an Advanced Apprenticeship. This can lead to managerial positions and supervisory roles.

FEES

Employers may have to pay a contribution for those over the age of 19. For more information please enquire within the Apprenticeship Team.

For all Apprenticeships the Learner is required to be paid at least the Apprenticeship minimum wage (Currently £2.50 per hour).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A very high level of attendance is expected at college for the Apprentices where very intensive training takes place. Apprentices are provided with a Training Advisor to help and support throughout the course and the work place and to ensure the learner's progression.

HOW TO APPLY

You can apply for this course by applying [online](#), by filling out an application form from the College prospectus or by contacting the Information Officer on 01205 313218 for further information. The Information on this Course Information Sheet is correct at time of print, but can be subject to change at anytime.

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