

CONSTRUCTION

A career in construction needs a firm foundation. The industry makes a vital contribution to the quality of life in Britain from the building of hospitals, schools and homes to motorways, railways and airports.

There are numerous interesting and varied careers in this huge industry. Despite a downturn in the current climate there will be a need in the future for skilled tradesman, so you may want to consider spending some time gaining new or further training in this field. For those interested in a career in the skilled construction trades the College offers craft courses in Brickwork, Carpentry and Joinery, Plumbing and Electrical Installation. You will learn your trade in up-to-date, well equipped workshops and training facilities.

Card Schemes

By 2010 it will be essential to prove your skills and qualifications before you can work on a site. The Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) card will provide this proof, and will be accessible to those who complete the required courses.

FULL-TIME COURSES

Brickwork

Diploma in Trowel Trades Level 1

A practical hands-on course introducing brickwork techniques.

ATTENDANCE: 1 year.

ENTRY: Successful interview, good school reference and evidence of commitment in Year 11. Successful completion of an aptitude test.

Brickwork

Diploma in Trowel Trades Level 2

A higher level course to further your skills with the trowel, preparing you for employment or advanced learning.

ATTENDANCE: Approximately 1 year, depending on previous experience.

ENTRY: Level 1 qualification and good tutor reference.



CASE STUDY

James Edwards

James has always had an ambition to get into Carpentry and Joinery "I really enjoy making things, to think afterwards that I have actually made that out of a few bits of wood is really fulfilling".

After completing the Level 1 course he moved onto the Level 2 Day Release in Carpentry and Joinery.

"I definitely recommend the day release programme as you get to branch into more areas on site. I get to use more power tools, and I get to learn basic knowledge of other trades which is really helpful."

"I really do recommend coming to college, you need more than what you learn at school, however you do have to put your back into it and knuckle down. As long as you are committed it can be a nice place to be and you will succeed."

Carpentry and Joinery

Diploma in Carpentry and Joinery Level 1

A practical hands-on course introducing joinery techniques.

ATTENDANCE: 1 year.

ENTRY: Successful interview, good school reference and evidence of commitment in Year 11. Successful completion of an aptitude test.

Carpentry and Joinery

Diploma in Carpentry and Joinery Level 2

A higher level course to further your skills on site or at the bench, preparing you for employment or advanced learning.

ATTENDANCE: Approximately 1 year depending on previous experience.

ENTRY: Level 1 qualification and good tutor reference.

Plumbing

Initial Craft Training Level 1

A practical hands-on course introducing plumbing skills.

ATTENDANCE: 1 year.

ENTRY: 3 GCSEs at grade D, to include Maths and Science. Successful interview, good school reference and evidence of commitment in Year 11. Successful completion of an aptitude test.

Plumbing

Craft Training Level 2

A higher level course to further your plumbing skills, preparing you for employment or advanced learning.

ATTENDANCE: 1 year.

ENTRY: 3 GCSEs at grade D plus Level 1 qualification and good tutor reference.

Construction and the Built Environment Diploma Level 2

This Diploma provides a programme of applied and practical learning which introduces learners to the fabric of the world in which we live and its impact on individuals and communities.

ATTENDANCE: 1 year

ENTRY: Level 2 Trade qualification or 1 GCSE grade C in Maths or English. You will have to attend an assessment day and provide us with a reference.

PART-TIME COURSES

You may be able to study for an NVQ Level 2 in the evening for any of the following trades. Contact us for more details.

Brickwork Pre-Vocational

This course does not result in a qualification, but enables you to gain the initial skills and knowledge in Brickwork to enrol on a Level 2 course.

ATTENDANCE: Thursday, 6.00 – 9.15pm, 7 weeks.

ENTRY: No formal entry requirements.

Brickwork

Diploma in Trowel Trades Level 2

A qualification for those who wish to gain construction skills and knowledge before commencing employment or training in the industry, or for those working in a related field who wish to become multiskilled. This course does offer CSCS accreditation as a trainee worker.

ATTENDANCE: 2 evenings per week over a 2 year period.

ENTRY: Entry by interview. The evening course requires significant commitment outside the class times, therefore it is aimed at the mature learner. Entry to the evening course is through achievement of a pre-vocational course.

Brickwork

Diploma in Trowel Trades Level 3

Advanced craft training for people who have completed Level 2 Brickwork. Trainees cover more advanced practical skills and develop supervisory skills. As part of the course, students will achieve the Advanced Construction Award and be able to apply for CSCS accreditation.

ATTENDANCE: Thursday, day release for 1 year.

ENTRY: Level 2 NVQ and Intermediate Construction Award, plus successful interview.

Plumbing

Pre-Vocational

This course does not result in a qualification, but enables you to gain the initial skills and knowledge in Plumbing to enrol on a Level 2 course.

ATTENDANCE: Thursday, 6.00 – 9.15 pm, 7 weeks.

ENTRY: No formal entry requirements.

Technical Certificate in Plumbing Level 2

A qualification for people who wish to gain further plumbing skills and background knowledge before starting employment or training in the industry. This course does not offer CSCS accreditation.

ATTENDANCE: 2 evenings per week over a 2 year period.

ENTRY: People in a related industry who wish to retrain may be suitable for this course. Entry to day release is by interview and BPEC entry test. Entry to the evening course is through completion of the Pre-Vocational course.

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Plumbing Mechanical Services

Levels 3

Trainees cover core units in topics such as safety and measurement plus specialist units for plumbing and gas.

ATTENDANCE: 1 day per week for 18 months.

ENTRY: 3 GCSEs grade D or above, or by interview for mature candidates. All NVQ candidates must have access to a relevant workplace. Level 2 required prior to starting Level 3.

Carpentry and Joinery

Pre-vocational Course

This course does not result in a qualification, but enables you to gain the initial skills and knowledge in Carpentry and Joinery to enrol on a Level 2 course.

ATTENDANCE: Thursday, 6.00 – 9.15pm, 7 weeks.

ENTRY: Interest in the subject.

Carpentry and Joinery

Diploma in Carpentry and Joinery Level 2

Craft training for learners who do not have access to a relevant workplace. Learners cover core units in topics such as safety, plus specialist units for bench joinery or site carpentry. This course does offer CSCS accreditation as a trainee worker.

ATTENDANCE: 2 evenings per week for a 2 year period.

ENTRY: Entry for daytime attendance is by interview. Entry to the evening course is through achievement of a prevocational course.

Glass Processing (Double Glazing)

NVQ Level 2

Glass Processors work within a range of roles nationwide, completing tasks within a range of situations ranging from new build work through to renovation projects. This work is predominately factory based so does not currently have the same CSCS restrictions found within other areas of the industry.

ATTENDANCE: Assessment will be in the workplace.

ENTRY: Candidates must be employed in a suitable role in the industry.

Construction Industry Training with the Business Development Team

We can arrange short courses and workshops tailored to your individual needs, and offer the following programmes on a regular basis:

- CITB ACS CCN1 Gas Training & Assessment
- CITB ACS Gas Appliances Training & Assessment
- LPG changeover (Natural Gas to LPG) Training and Assessment
- 17th Edition Wiring Regulations (City and Guilds 2382-10 and 2382-20))
- Abrasive Wheels Safety Training
- CIEH Level 2 Certificate in Health & Safety in the workplace
- NEBOSH Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety
- ASET Certificate in Emergency First Aid in the Workplace Level 2
- Unvented Hot Water Storage Systems Training and Assessment.

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