Leicester College

Carpentry and Joinery (Site) Apprenticeship

Course Overview

Carpenters work with wood on building sites or in customers' homes to fit or repair doors, window frames, staircases, floorboards, cupboards, roof trusses and partitions. They use traditional woodworking tools as well as specialised power or hand tools for cutting, shaping, smoothing and finishing. Once completed you can progress on to level 3 Advanced. An apprenticeship is a job with training. You will be employed at least 30 hours a week, with 80% of your working hours in your day-to-day role, and the remaining 20% of your time engaged in training or study.

What you will learn

Carry out a range of job tasks including measuring, marking out, fitting, cutting, splicing, finishing, positioning and securing. - Install door and window frames, door and hatch linings, floor joist coverings, straight partitions and straight staircases. - Install doors, ironmongery, service encasements, wall and floor units, fitments, cladding and staircase components. - Erect inclined roofs with gables, joists, roof coverings and roof components. Repair or replace frames, mouldings, doors, windows, door and window ironmongery, roofing components, guttering and downpipes, and window components. - Use, maintain and store hand tools, power tools and associated equipment.

How to create drawings and cutting lists. How to mark out and cut traditional joints. How to manufacture various carpentry components e.g. windows, doors and staircases. How to fix various carpentry components e.g. floorboards, cupboards and roof trusses. How to calculate and cost materials. How to set up and use a range of hand and power tools.

Entry Requirements

English and maths GCSE Desirable

How you will be assessed

End-point assessment (EPA) is the final stage that an apprentice goes through to complete their apprenticeship. The apprentice must show their learning to an independent end-point assessor and the grades available are distinction, pass or fail. - Professional discussion - Job Knowledge question and practical.

Course Fees

You must wear PPE at all times at college and in the workshops

Course Progession

You could progress on to level 3 Site Carpentry. Once completed you can progress on to management courses or the Built Environment - Site Managers route. There is the option of considering other craft trades for broader knowledge. Alternatively, you can give us a call on 0116 2242240 to discuss this further.

What Happens Next

You can express your interest in this apprenticeship by completing a Leicester College application form or alternatively you can apply for one of our live apprenticeship vacancies via the College website. Our apprenticeships can also be found on the government's apprenticeship site, gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship. As with any other job application, if you are shortlisted, you will be invited for an interview at the employer's premises. You can apply for as many apprenticeship vacancies as you want.

Course Details



