Construction Trades and Building Services

Available from Levels 2 to 4*

Carpentry and Joinery

This Apprenticeship involves carrying out skilled work primarily using timber products, either on a construction site or in a workshop, creating and installing building components. This Apprenticeship has two pathways:

Pathway 1: A Site Carpenter will normally work on a building site, or in domestic and commercial premises, preparing and fixing building components, from the initial erection of a new building, through to the installation of all necessary fixtures and fittings, as well as a range of repair and maintenance activities.

Pathway 2: An Architectural Joiner will normally be employed in a workshop producing timber based building components and other architectural products, such as doors, windows, units and staircases, which are then transported to construction sites to be installed by site carpenters.

Painting and Decorating

Painters and Decorators operate in domestic and commercial properties and undertake the decoration and protection of buildings. Properties include houses, schools, offices, hospitals, factories and construction sites. Working internally or externally, they work individually and/or as part of a team applying waterborne and/or solvent-borne paint coatings and wallcoverings.

As an Apprentice, you will develop your knowledge of paint coatings and wallcoverings and understand and comply with statutory, safety and environmental requirements. Apprentices will also be responsible for their own work achieving a high quality finish at the appropriate pace. Apprentices will also be good problem solvers and communicators and are able to interact effectively with colleagues, clients and associated trades.

Brickwork

This Apprenticeship is designed for those who would like a career within Brickwork. Bricklayers lay bricks, blocks and other types of building components in mortar to construct and repair walls, foundations, partitions, arches and other structures e.g. chimney stacks. They might also refurbish brickwork and masonry on restoration projects. The range of sites and projects that bricklayers will work on include large commercial developments, new builds in housing, alterations, extensions and restorations. A bricklayer may work independently or as part of a broader team.

Civil Engineering

This Apprenticeship is for those looking to start a career as a Civil Engineer. Civil Engineers are responsible for the design, construction and maintenance of the built environment, including projects such as bridges, roads, railways, airports, canals, dams and power stations. Civil Engineers can either be Consulting Engineers who advise on projects and design them or contractors who construct the structures.

Plastering

This Apprenticeship is for those Apprentices who are looking to develop their skills, knowledge and competence as a Plasterer. Plasterers mix and apply plaster to walls and ceilings of buildings to provide a smooth or decorative finish. A plasterer will also produce ornamental plasterwork such as ceiling roses, cornices and columns.