

WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

The Apprenticeship programme provides you with an opportunity to earn while you learn. As an Apprentice you will spend time both in College and in the workplace learning new skills and training alongside experienced staff, which will lead to nationally recognised qualifications. At the end of the Apprenticeship you will have acquired job specific skills and the ability to perform your job competently; you will also achieve qualifications which are recognised by your chosen profession.

VENUE AND DURATION OF COURSE:

The Apprenticeship programme will run for approximately 36 months and will run both in the workplace and 1 day per week at John Ruskin College.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

There are no formal entry requirements for this Apprenticeship but you must be in paid work for a minimum of 30 hours per week. It is essential you have the right mind-set for working full time and studying at the same time. Having a can-do attitude, being flexible and reliable are also important. You must also be able to communicate effectively with others.

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS WILL I GET?

The Apprenticeship is made up of a number of qualifications that you will receive, including:

- The BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Construction and the Built Environment
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Construction Contracting Operations
- English Functional Skills
- Maths Functional Skills
- Employee Rights and Responsibilities
- Personal, Learning and Thinking Skills

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is suitable for Apprentices working as Site Technicians whose roles include; carrying out estimating, buying, planning and providing technical support. The BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Construction and the Built Environment will be studied on a day release basis over 2 years.

UNITS/TOPICS COVERED:

Mandatory units:

- Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction and the Built Environment
- Sustainable Construction
- Mathematics in Construction and the Built Environment
- Science and Materials in Construction and the Built Environment
- Construction Technology and Design in Construction and Civil Engineering
- Building Technology in Construction

There are also various optional units that you may choose that allow you to tailor the Apprenticeship to your role.

TYPE OF ASSESSMENT:

The BTEC Level 3 Diploma will be assessed through assignments. The NVQ is assessed through the building of a student portfolio that demonstrates competence in the work place.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

Students will need; scientific calculators, pens, pencils and paper. Text books will be recommended.

WHERE CAN IT LEAD?

Students can continue to study at John Ruskin College towards the Level 4 HNC in Construction and also continue onto the Level 5 HND in Construction. Many students will also study at Degree level following this.

COURSE FEE:

All fees where applicable are paid for by the employers and no fees will be charged to Apprentices. Companies with a payroll of more than £3 million pounds will have a levy account which can be used to pay for apprenticeship training. Where the training costs exceed the amount of levy available the government will contribute 90% of the outstanding amount and the employer will be invoiced the remaining 10%.

Other companies:

Apprentice Age (start of programme)	Less than 50 staff members on PAYE	50 or more staff on PAYE
16-18 years	Free – No fees due	10% Contribution of overall fee
19+	10% contribution of overall fee	10% Contribution of overall fee

Incentive payments: All companies who recruit an Apprentice aged 16-18 years will be eligible for a grant of £500 once the Apprentice has been in training for 13 weeks and a further £500 at 52 weeks.

WHAT TO DO NEXT:

If you have an employer, please call 020 8651 1131 and ask to speak to a member of the Apprenticeship team for further advice and to arrange an interview, or email JRCApplenticeships@johnruskin.ac.uk. Candidates who are unable to secure employment should consider applying for a Full-time programme at the College or may consider a Traineeship programme.

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