

Session 2009/2010

Apprenticeship in Trowel Occupations - Level 2

(Ref: T47/T48/T49)

Course Duration: 2 Years
Block Release: 2 Week Blocks, plus training in the work place

Programme Outline

The programme is designed for candidates aged between 16 and 24 who are in appropriate full time employment in the brick work trade. The programme consists of a number of qualifications, which together form the Apprenticeship framework. Successful completion of this programme is one of the entry requirements for progression onto the Advanced Apprenticeship (Level 3) programme in Bricklaying. Please note that a tuition fee will be payable by candidates age 19 and above.

Programme Content

The programme consists of the following qualifications:

- National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) Level 2 Bricklaying (undertaken in the work place) consisting of the following mandatory units:
 - Conform to General Workplace Safety
 - Conform to Efficient Working Practices
 - Move and Handle Resources
 - Erect Masonry Structures
 - Set Out Masonry Structures

In addition, one optional unit must be undertaken from the following:

- Erect masonry cladding
 - Domestic drainage
 - Thin joint masonry structures
 - Place and finish non-specialist concrete
- Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying – Undertaken in College, consisting of the following mandatory units:
 - Carry out safe working practices in construction
 - Information, quantities and communicating with others
 - Building methods and construction
 - Interpret working drawings to set out masonry structures
 - Thin joint masonry and masonry cladding
 - Build solid walling, isolated and attached piers
 - Build cavity walling forming masonry structures
 - Key Skills Level 1 Application of Number (College based)
 - Key Skills Level 1 Communication (College based)
 - Employment Rights and Responsibilities (College based)
 - Health and Safety Certificate (College based)

- Abrasive Wheels Certificate (College based)

Assessment

The qualifications are assessed as follows:

- National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) Level 2 – Portfolio of evidence
- Key Skills - Portfolio of evidence & On Line Test
- Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying – Practical and knowledge assessments throughout the course and an end of course On-Line Multiple Choice Test
- Health and Safety Certificate (CSCS) – On-Line Test
- Employment Rights and Responsibilities & Abrasive Wheels Certificate – Short courses with review

Entry Requirements

Learners must:

- Be between 16 to 24 years of age
- Be in suitable full time employment
- Have achieved GCSE's at Grade D or above in Maths and English Language or have achieved at least Level 1 in Literacy and Numeracy, as well as a good level of dictation in the College based Initial Assessment process
- Achieved at least 80% attendance and demonstrated a conscientious attitude to learning in any previous College based course
- Demonstrate a positive interest in bricklaying at interview
- Provide a reference and/or recent school report which demonstrates a conscientious attitude to learning
- Undertake appropriate additional support should this be required
- Provide their own substantial protective footwear - and overalls, which must be worn at all times when undertaking practical activities. Other materials should also be provided by the learner, including pens, paper, files etc

How to Apply

Application forms can be obtained from the enrolment centre, telephone 01785 275607. You can also download an application form by visiting our website www.staffordcoll.ac.uk. The completed form should be returned to the Enrolment centre, Stafford College, Earl Street, Stafford, ST16 2QR.

Further Information

If you would like any more information about the College or our courses, then write, visit, or telephone The Enrolment Centre on 01785 275607. Our e-mail address is: enquiries@staffordcoll.ac.uk. If you are unsure about which course to take, we can arrange for you to get the advice you need from a member of our guidance team.

Equality and Diversity

Stafford College is committed to achieving equality of opportunity for all staff, students and members of the community it serves. In doing so, the College will actively work to achieve equality regardless of age, race, skin colour, disability, gender, marital status, sexuality and faith.

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