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# Apprenticeships

**Along with the support of the progressive companies which send apprentices to the College, we are building the construction workforce of the future. In fact, over the last 40 years, people from all over the UK, from many types of organisation have trained as apprentices with the National Construction College, contributing to a qualified and skilled workforce.**

## Training and assessment

All College courses are based on a programme that combines site work spent with a construction company, training at the College and ongoing assessment. The residential periods at College currently last between 2 and 44 weeks. In addition to practical training, emphasis is placed on health and safety training, and all apprentices take the health and safety test, which is carried out at the College.

Apprenticeship programmes are designed to allow students to learn, work and get qualified all at the same time. It's a simple, step-by-step process that we can guide both apprentices and employers through.

All training at the National Construction College is part of the Framework which consists of:

- a Scottish or National Vocational Qualification (S/NVQ) in a chosen trade (practical, theoretical experience and assessment)
- key skills (training and assessment in communication and application of numbers in England only)
- technical certificate (training and assessment)
- employment responsibilities and rights

Personal development is an important part of training. Apprentices will work in teams and, as they progress, have the opportunity to take the lead. Monitoring and development of apprentices receives special focus when they are working on site. At the end of the training, apprentices will have received underpinning knowledge as a sound foundation to achieving the relevant NVQ qualifications. Minimum standards are required to be accepted onto an apprenticeship; however, we stress that for many of our courses there are virtually no barriers to attending. People of differing abilities will be accepted on our courses, and help is given in all areas of training.

For details of our apprenticeship programmes call

**0844 8440409**

[www.nationalconstructioncollege.co.uk](http://www.nationalconstructioncollege.co.uk)

For apprenticeship recruitment enquiries call

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## Facilities

The National Construction College has four regional campuses training apprentices in the Midlands, the South, Scotland and our residential facility in the East of the country. These all cater for specific and localised training needs and assessment. All the Colleges have superb training facilities which are designed to closely resemble actual working conditions found on site.

## Welfare

At our main campus in Norfolk, all residential apprentices have their own private room. Three full meals, hot or cold, are available every weekday in the restaurant. When not being trained, apprentices can use the many sports and leisure facilities available, including an internet café, a 25-metre swimming pool, floodlit football pitches, squash and tennis courts, a multigym, a gymnasium and the college club and diner.

Our other campus sites are serviced by a network of off-site accommodation facilities that are carefully selected to provide a warm, homely environment in which apprentices can relax. When on the training campus, breakfast and lunch are available in modern self-service restaurants. Evening meals are provided at the off-site accommodation. Leisure activities are co-ordinated through our onsite welfare support officer.

## Fees and Grants

Employers who are in-scope and registered with CITB-ConstructionSkills are entitled to grants that will cover the college training. Accommodation, some meals, transport and on site leisure facilities are all free, and the grant will also help towards any additional costs and training requirements. Please contact us for more details.

## Awards Ceremony

Each year we hold Awards Ceremony days where we celebrate the success of our apprentices: These ceremonies will be held in June, July 2008. Dates and locations to be confirmed. If you would like to reserve tickets to these popular events, please call now.

Finally, company representatives, family members and potential apprentices are always welcome to visit any of our colleges during term time to view the facilities and talk to instructors and apprentices by arrangement.

## Our Training Programmes

**Our training courses are designed in close consultation with industry and are offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme.**

**Apprenticeships allow the apprentice to learn, work and become qualified at the same time, achieving carded status.**

**All courses contain the following mandatory subjects:**

- Health and safety
- Employment responsibilities and rights
- Drugs and alcohol awareness
- First aid

**All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the college. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.**

**Applicants, apply online at  
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# Employers we can help!

The National Construction College working with ConstructionSkills Apprenticeships can help you find the right Apprentice for your business

The National Construction College offers traditional apprenticeships in a wide range of specialist subjects. The 2 to 3 year training term will give you a great opportunity to train an apprentice to suit your company. To find out more about the Apprenticeships listed in this brochure, call the NCC College Office on 0844 8440409

## Simply register with ConstructionSkills and we will:

### Help you select the right apprenticeship

Our Traditional Apprenticeships offer a 2 to 3 year training term and provide a great opportunity to train an apprentice to suit your company

### Provide funding towards training

A Traditional Apprenticeship entitles you to claim up to **£9400** of grants over three years.

### Quality Assessment and Selection

ConstructionSkills equals quality. We offer the security of knowing that each apprentice has completed an extensive assessment and selection process so that you can rest assured that you are employing a talented, motivated individual.

### Give you and your apprentice all the support you need

When you employ a ConstructionSkills apprentice you are assigned a dedicated Apprenticeship Officer to mentor and support you both through the apprenticeship process.

### Give you access to extra funding for expenses

Extra funding for travel and subsistence costs are available – give us a call to find out more.

## Register your apprenticeship vacancies with ConstructionSkills now!

It couldn't be easier to register your vacancies – simply contact your ConstructionSkills office on 0844 8440043, fax 0844 8440847 or go to [www.cskills.org/registermyvacancy](http://www.cskills.org/registermyvacancy)

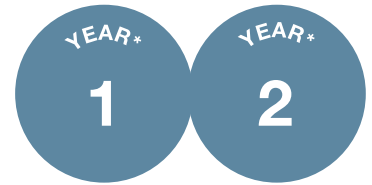
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# Apprenticeships

## Construction Apprenticeship: General Construction

Employers - register your vacancy at  
[www.cskills.org/registermyvacancy](http://www.cskills.org/registermyvacancy)



### Who's the course for?

People who wish to start a career in the construction industry and are motivated to work hard to become valuable members of the construction workforce.

\*Year 1: 18 weeks underpinning Knowledge for the Intermediate Construction Award

\*Year 2: The remaining part of the apprenticeship is spent with the employer gaining work experience with assessment for the NVQ level 2 Construction Award, carried out by NCC.

### Course aims and benefits

The General Construction course is offered as part of the Apprenticeships programme and aims to prepare apprentices for the first stages towards becoming skilled workers in the fields of civil engineering.

This course has been revised in consultation with the industry and now includes training in areas that are essential for today's construction site. It is suitable for apprentices who wish to go on to do further training to prepare them, for further career progression.

#### Course content

##### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

##### Induction programme.

- Mandatory subjects
- Manual handling

##### Practical training

- Erecting and dismantling basic working platforms
- Handling and storing materials, plant and equipment
- Operating construction plant and equipment\*
- Installing drainage and service ducts
- Basic concreting
- Flexible paving
- Support to excavations

\*Not applicable to NCC Midlands

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the college. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – General Construction, ICA Intermediate Construction Award, NVQ Level 2 – General Construction Operative, Key Skills – Level 1, Mounting Abrasive Wheels certificate, First Aid Appointed Persons, Health and Safety test

### Where to next?

New for 2008 Additional Training Modules, designed to prepare candidates for future career progression.

\*Please note that this course runs at NCC Midlands as 12 weeks year 1 and 6 weeks in year 2.

This programme has recently been revised and effective from 2008 will consist of a total of 18 weeks in college with the option of a number of additional modules which can be purchased by the employer to provide training in specific employer areas.

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# Construction Apprenticeship: Civil Engineering Technician



Employers - register your vacancy at [www.cskills.org/registermyvacancy](http://www.cskills.org/registermyvacancy)



**Year 1:** 29 weeks (NCC East)

**Year 2:** 15 weeks (NCC East)

**Year 3:** The remaining part of the apprenticeship is spent on-site with the employer gaining work experience with assessment for the NVQ level 2 Construction Award, carried out by NCC

## Who's the course for?

People who wish to start a career in the civil engineering or construction industries and progress to supervisory and management positions, or to carry on training via college or university to obtain higher qualifications.

## Course aims and benefits

The course has been designed in close consultation with industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme. It aims to prepare apprentices to become responsible and skilled workers in the industry. The training is designed to give apprentices a sound working knowledge of a wide variety of industry skills that will prepare them, for further career progression.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Year One

##### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Construction and the environment
- Mathematics in construction and the built environment
- Science and materials in construction and the built environment
- Surveying in construction and civil engineering

##### Civil Engineering Studies

- Groundworks
- Concrete and associated trades
- Construction plant
- Scaffolding
- Project work

#### Year Two

- Health, safety and welfare in construction and the built environment
- Planning, organisation and control of resources in construction and the built environment

- Graphical detailing in construction and the built environment
- Setting out processes and structural mechanics in construction and civil engineering
- Further mathematics in construction, civil engineering and building services engineering
- Construction in civil engineering

### Entry requirements

Potential apprentices need a minimum of four GCSEs at grades A–C or equivalent (to include maths, a science subject and English). All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise and a maths test, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ College and on-site assessment

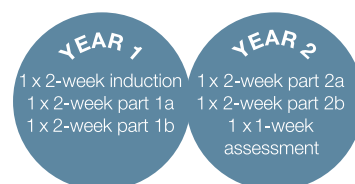
### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Advanced Apprenticeship – Site Technical Support, NVQ Level 3 – Construction Contracting Operations (Site Technical Support), Key Skills – Level 2, BTEC National Certificate in Civil Engineering studies within the first two years, First Aid Appointed Persons, Health and Safety test, Abrasive Wheels (CITB)

Apprenticeship: Civil Engineering Technician (East)\* this programme is currently under review and with effect from Sep 2008 a new format will be introduced, details on application.

# Access Apprenticeship: Scaffolding – Scheme A

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The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People who wish to start a career in the scaffolding industry and are motivated to work hard to become valuable members of the construction workforce. Apprentices should have a good head for heights, and have a highly developed sense of responsibility.

## Course aims and benefits

To provide training and assessment in the methods of erecting and dismantling both basic and complex scaffolds together with practical and theoretical knowledge to achieve the Scaffolding Scheme A framework.

This course is part of the Apprenticeships programme, is approved under the Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) and within the training, apprentices will undertake the necessary elements to qualify for a Scaffolders Card.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Practical Training

##### Block 1

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Mobile towers
- Fire fighting
- Safe use of ladders
- Manual handling

##### Block 2

- Part 1a: erecting and dismantling independent and putlog scaffolds using tube and fitting and system

##### Block 3

- Part 1b: erecting and dismantling tower and birdcage scaffolds

##### Block 4

#### Part 2a, erecting and dismantling

- Scaffolds with prefabricated beams
- Roof scaffolds
- Protective fans

##### Block 5

#### Part 2b, erecting and dismantling:

- Pavement scaffolds
- Truss out scaffolds
- Loading bays

##### Block 6

- Final assessment

### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ Practical test
- ✓ Written test
- ✓ College and on-site assessment
- ✓ Computer-based tests

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Scaffolding, S/NVQ Level 2 – Access and Rigging Operations (Scaffolding Construction Technical certificate), The Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) Scaffolders Registration Card, Key Skills – Level 1, First Aid Appointed Persons, Health and Safety test

### Where to next?

Advanced Scaffolding ,Scaffolding Supervisor (CISRS)

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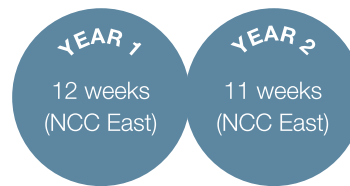
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# Access Apprenticeship: Lightning Conductor Engineering



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The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People who have no fear of heights, who are interested in pursuing a career in this unique profession and motivated to work hard and become valuable members of the lightning conductor workforce.

## Course aims and benefits

The Lightning Conductor Engineering course aims to prepare apprentices to become responsible and skilled workers in the industry. Apprentices obtain a safe working knowledge of site access, bosun's seats, earthing, together with a practical appreciation of the skills and techniques that are required to work within the varied world of the lightning conductor engineer.

The lightning conductor industry has set up this apprenticeship as an entry to a career as a Lightning Conductor Engineer.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Mobile towers
- Fire fighting
- Safe use of ladders
- Manual handling

#### Practical Training

- Preparing and storing processes
- Ladders and means of access
- Safety lines and anchors
- Bosun's seat
- Roof rigs
- Top anchors
- Commissioning
- Roof repairs
- Earthing
- Installations
- Small plant
- Underground cable avoidance
- Abrasive wheels
- Operating powered tools and equipment for routine and predictable requirements

- Installing components to the structural fabric (lightning conductor)
- Installing components to the structural fabric and built environment (electrical earthing and earthing cable systems)
- Positioning and removing specialised equipment for accessing
- Establishing rope access arrangements
- Establishing provision for fall arrest
- Locating and avoiding service apparatus and sub structures
- Contributing to an efficient and effective work environment
- Contributing to Health and Safety in the workplace
- Commissioning installations for use (lightning conductor systems)
- Roof repairs (NVQ)
- Industrial rope access
- MEWP (CPCS); NRSW units 1 and 9

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials
- ✓ Computer-based training

### Methods of assessment

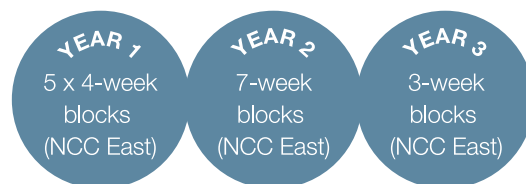
- ✓ Practical test
- ✓ Written test
- ✓ College and on-site assessment
- ✓ Computer-based tests

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Lightning Conductor Engineer, NVQ Level 2 – Lightning Conductor Engineer, Key Skills – Level 1, Abrasive Wheels, Industrial Rope Access, MEWP (CPCS), NRSW Unit 9, NRSW Unit 1, Mobile Towers, First Aid Appointed Persons, Fire fighting, Health and Safety test, Safe use of ladders, Manual handling

# Access Apprenticeship: Steeplejacking

Employers - register your vacancy at  
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The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People who have a healthy respect for heights, who are interested in pursuing a career in this unique profession and motivated to work hard and become valuable members of the steeplejack workforce.

## Course aims and benefits

The Steeplejacking course is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme and aims to prepare apprentices to become responsible and skilled workers in the field of steeplejacking. The training is designed to give apprentices a sound working knowledge of a wide variety of industry skills that will prepare them, for further career progression.

The steeplejack industry has set up its own apprenticeship scheme for a career as a Steeplejack. Apprentices obtain a safe working knowledge of laddering and means of access, together with a practical appreciation of the skills and techniques that are required to work within the varied world of the steeplejack.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Mobile towers
- Fire fighting
- Safe use of ladders
- Manual handling

#### Practical Training

- Laddering and means of safe access
- Operating powered tools and equipment for routine and predictable requirements
- Providing surface finishing to the structural fabric (brickwork, concrete repairs and rendering)
- Establishing rope access arrangements
- Establishing provision for fall arrest
- Contributing to an efficient and effective working environment

- Providing surface finishing (steeplejack painting)
- Carrying out slinging and signalling for the movement of loads
- Contributing to health and safety in the workplace
- Bosun's seat
- Power cradles
- Abrasive wheels
- Mobile towers

### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials
- ✓ Computer-based training

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ Practical test
- ✓ Written test
- ✓ College and on-site assessment
- ✓ Computer-based tests

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Steeplejacking, NVQ Level 2 – Steeplejacking, Key Skills – Level 1, Slinger/Signaller, Abrasive Wheels, Industrial Rope Access, Mobile Towers, First Aid Appointed Persons, Fire fighting, Health and Safety test, Safe use of ladders, Manual handling

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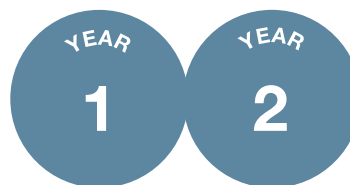
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# Plant Apprenticeship: Plant Operations

## – Construction Plant

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**Year 1:** 12 weeks (NCC East)  
**Year 2:** The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

### Who's the course for?

People interested in pursuing a career as a plant operator in the construction industry and are motivated to work hard, sometimes away from home, to become valuable members of the workforce.

### Course aims and benefits

The Plant Operations course is offered as part of the Apprenticeships programme and sets out to produce plant operators trained to operate a specific range of machines to become responsible and skilled workers in the industry. This is a new 12 week college programme consisting of four elements of plant. During their training at the college, apprentices gain a good understanding of the activities, techniques and procedures relating to plant operations. This includes training in servicing, basic maintenance, and levelling and setting out.

#### Course content

Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

Mandatory Induction Programme

Practical Training

The course includes training on the following:

- 180° Digger Loader
- 360° Excavator <10t
- Forward Tipping Dumper
- Telescopic Handler

Training includes a selection of the following as appropriate to the apprentice's chosen trade:

- Contributing to an efficient and effective work environment
- Contributing to health and safety in the workplace
- Operating specialised plant and machinery to performance requirements:
  - lifting and transferring
  - extracting and excavating
  - construction and formation
- Transporting and discharging bulk material loads
- Extracting and excavating materials
- Lifting, transferring and positioning loads

- Distributing, layering and consolidating materials
- Lifting, transferring and positioning loads for access

#### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

#### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

#### Methods of assessment

- ✓ Practical test
- ✓ Written test
- ✓ Continuous college and on-site assessment

#### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Plant Operations, NVQ Level 2 – Plant Operations (Construction)\*, Key Skills – Level 1, Intermediate Certificate (ICT) in Specialised Plant and Machinery Operations, Construction Plant, Competence Scheme (CPCS) Trained Operator's Card, First Aid Appointed Persons, Health and Safety test

\*The college assessment team will track apprentices on-site for the first category of plant as selected by the employer for conversion to NVQ and the full CPCS Competency Card. Assessment for additional NVQ categories are available through the National Construction College – please contact us for prices and details

# Plant Apprenticeship: Plant Operations

## – Civil Engineering Plant



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**Year 1:** 12 weeks (NCC East)  
**Year 2:** The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

### Who's the course for?

People interested in pursuing a career as a plant operator in the construction industry and are motivated to work hard, sometimes away from home, to become valuable members of the workforce.

### Course aims and benefits

The Plant Operations course is offered as part of the Apprenticeships programme and sets out to produce plant operators trained to operate a specific range of machines to become responsible and skilled workers in the industry. This is a new 12 week college programme consisting of four elements of plant. During their training at the college, apprentices will gain a good understanding of the activities, techniques and procedures relating to plant operations. This includes training in servicing, basic maintenance, and levelling and setting out.

#### Course content

Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

Mandatory Induction Programme

Practical Training

The course includes training on a selection of the following:

- Crawler Tractor
- 360 Excavator
- Dumptruck
- Wheeled Loading Shovel

Training includes a selection of the following as appropriate to the apprentice's chosen trade:

- Contributing to an efficient and effective work environment
- Contributing to health and safety in the workplace
- Operating specialised plant and machinery to performance requirements:
  - lifting and transferring
  - extracting and excavating
  - construction and formation
- Transporting and discharging bulk material loads
- Extracting and excavating materials

- Lifting, transferring and positioning loads
- Distributing, layering and consolidating materials
- Lifting, transferring and positioning loads for access

#### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

#### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

#### Methods of assessment

- ✓ Practical test
- ✓ Written test
- ✓ Continuous college assessment and on-site assessment
- ✓ On-site assessment

#### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Foundation Apprenticeship – Plant Operations, NVQ Level 2 – Plant Operations (Civil Engineering)\*, Key Skills – Level 1, Intermediate Certificate (ICT) in Specialised Plant and Machinery Operations, Construction Plant Competence Scheme (CPCS) Trained Operator's Card, First Aid Appointed Persons, Health and Safety test

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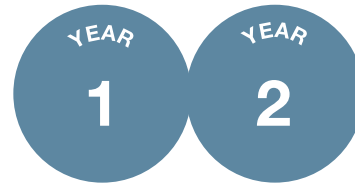
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# Plant Apprenticeship: Crane Operative

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**Year 1:** 12 weeks (NCC East)  
**Year 2:** The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People interested in pursuing a career as a crane operator in the construction industry and who are motivated to work hard, sometimes away from home, to become valuable members of the workforce.

## Course aims and benefits

The Crane Operative course has been designed in close consultation with the crane industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme. It sets out to produce crane operators trained to operate a specific range of machines. They are also taught the duties and responsibilities of an Appointed Person, risk assessments and how to produce method statements. During training, apprentices learn how to safely and efficiently operate a variety of cranes in addition to learning basic maintenance and checks.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Induction

- Mandatory subjects
- Appointed persons lifting operations

#### Practical Training – any four of the following

- Crawler crane
- Tower crane
- Truck-mounted crane
- Lorry loader
- Telescopic handler
- Slinger/Signaller
- Crane erection

### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

## Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

## Methods of assessment

- ✓ Practical test
- ✓ Written test
- ✓ All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the college. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.

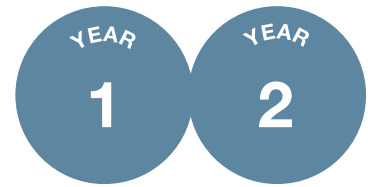
## Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – General Plant Operations – Lifting Operations, NVQ Level 2 – Plant Operations (Construction)\*, Key Skills – Level 1, Intermediate Certificate (ICT) in Specialised Plant and Machinery Operations, Construction Plant Competence Scheme (CPCS) Trained Operator's Card, First Aid Appointed Persons, Health and Safety test

\*The college assessment team will track apprentices on-site for the first category of plant as selected by the employer for conversion to NVQ and the full CPCS Competency Card. Assessment for additional NVQ categories are available through the National Construction College – please contact us for prices and details.

# Plant Apprenticeship: Demolition Plant Operative

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**Year 1:** 18 weeks (NCC East)  
**Year 2:** The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People interested in pursuing a career in the demolition industry, who are motivated to work hard, sometimes away from home, to become valuable members of the workforce.

## Course aims and benefits

The Demolition Plant Operative course has been designed in close consultation with the demolition industry and is offered as part of the apprenticeship programme. It sets out to offer demolition plant operatives an appreciation of all the aspects of demolition.

### Course content

Following an induction period, trainees attend the residential course at the National Construction College. The course content will include:

Mandatory Induction Programme

Core content

Key Skills

- Safety awareness as a demolition specification
- Introduction to the industry
- First aid
- COSHH – lead – asbestos
- Hand tools
- Pneumatic tools
- Safety and maintenance – small plant and tools
- Oxyacetylene/propane cutting
- Abrasive wheels
- Working at heights – harnesses
- Scaffolding – practical and appreciation
- Manual handling
- Fencing and temporary guarding
- Telehandler
- Confined spaces
- Slinger/Signaller
- Forward tipping dumper
- MEWP's scissor and boom
- Dumptruck
- Shoring and supporting structures
- 360° hydraulic excavator
- Skid steer loader
- Wheeled loading shovel
- Attachments

## Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

## Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

## Methods of assessment

- ✓ Practical test
- ✓ Written test
- ✓ All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the college. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.

## Qualification/Certification

- ✓ NVQ Level 2 – Plant Operations (Construction)\*, Intermediate Certificate (ICT) in Specialised Plant and Machinery Operations, Construction Plant Competence Scheme (CPCS), Red Trained Operator's Card

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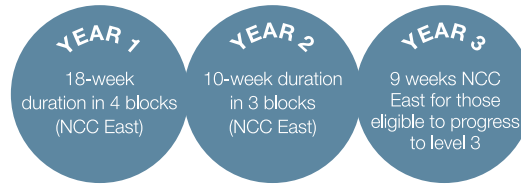
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# Plant Apprenticeship: Plant Maintenance

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The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People who are following or would like to follow a career in an engineering discipline with a plant or plant hire company. This would involve working outside in all weathers as well as in a workshop. Plant maintenance can be challenging and involve working at heights and in awkward places.

## Course aims and benefits

The Plant Maintenance course has been designed in close consultation with the plant industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme.

It aims to give apprentices a wide range of engineering knowledge and understanding beyond that required to achieve an NVQ qualification. It covers subjects from bench fitting and basic engineering skills to the latest technological advancements in electro-hydraulics and computerised control systems.

### Course content

All the Apprentice Plant Maintenance courses follow a proven format, covering basic engineering subjects common to all plant maintenance disciplines.

Further specific training and equipment is utilised relevant to the role the apprentice will follow within the company.

Subjects common to all course disciplines:

Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- First aid
- Manual handling
- COSHH

Practical training

- Bench fitting/engineering skills/technical drawing
- Materials and measurements
- Servicing techniques and procedures
- Basic electrics
- Braking systems
- Lifting equipment and procedures
- Fuels/lubricants/consumables

- Welding/brazing/soldering
- CI and SI power units and associated systems
- IT/communication skills

Subjects specific to General Plant Mechanic

- Multi-cylinder power units
- Transmissions
- Hydraulics
- Air brake systems
- Steering and suspension systems
- Tracks/wheels/tyres
- Auxiliary plant
- Compressors, air tools and pneumatics
- Electro-hydraulics
- Basic electronics
- Engine management/computerised control
- Testing and diagnostic procedures
- Functional and operating procedures

Subjects specific to Powered Access Mechanic

- Platform hydraulics
- Electro-hydraulics
- Testing and diagnostic procedures
- Platform electrical systems
- Traction motors and control systems
- Basic electronics
- Computerised control systems
- Transmissions
- Power units
- Major overhaul procedures
- Functional and operating procedures

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## Plant Apprenticeship: Plant Maintenance continued

Subjects specific to Crane Mechanic

- Multi-cylinder power units
- Transmissions/crane drives
- Hydraulics
- Power braking systems
- Steering and suspension systems
- Tracks/wheels/tyres
- Electro-hydraulics
- Basic electronics
- Engine management/computerised control
- Jibs/ropes and rigging procedures
- Functional and operating procedures
- Safe load indicators
- Testing and diagnostic procedures

Subjects specific to Lift Truck Mechanic

- Truck electrical systems/battery technology
- Truck hydraulic systems
- LPG/SI power units
- Multi-cylinder CI power units
- Traction motors and control systems
- Electro-hydraulics
- Transmissions
- Masts/chains/forks
- Engine management
- Basic electronics
- Functional and operating procedures
- Testing and diagnostic procedures
- Power braking systems

Subjects specific to Small Plant and Tool Fitter

- Single and multi-cylinder CI power units
- Two- and four-stroke SI power units
- Air tools and compressors
- AC electrical systems
- Power tool maintenance and repair
- Electrical safety testing (PAT)
- Auxiliary plant (pumps/generators)
- Horticultural equipment
- Testing and diagnostics

### Entry requirements

The recommended entry qualifications are four GCSEs at level D or higher. However, all candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests to determine their suitability and achievement potential.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ College and on-site assessment

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Plant Mechanics, Key Skills – Level 1, Intermediate NVQ Level 2 – Plant Maintenance (Specified Discipline), First Aid Appointed Persons, Health and Safety test, Manual Handling, Abrasive Wheels, Portable Appliance Testing

For those eligible to progress:  
Advanced Apprenticeship - Plant Mechanic,  
Key Skills – Level 2, Advanced Certificate,  
NVQ Level 3 Plant Maintenance (Specified Discipline)

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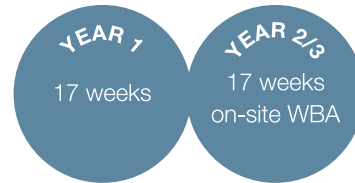
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# Plant Apprenticeship: Plant Maintenance (Scotland)

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The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People who are following or would like to follow a career in an engineering discipline with a plant or plant hire company. This would involve working outside in all weathers as well as in a workshop. Plant maintenance can be challenging and involve working at heights and in awkward places.

## Course aims and benefits

The Plant Maintenance course has been designed in close consultation with the plant industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme. The Plant Maintenance course aims to give apprentices a wide range of engineering knowledge and understanding beyond that required to achieve a Scottish Vocational Qualification (SVQ). It covers subjects from bench fitting and basic engineering skills to the latest technological advancements in electro-hydraulics and computerised control systems.

### Course content

All the Apprentice Plant Maintenance courses follow a proven format in the first training block, covering basic engineering subjects common to all plant maintenance disciplines.

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subject
- Fire fighting
- Manual handling
- COSHH

#### Practical training

- Bench fitting/engineering skills/technical drawing
- Materials and measurements
- Servicing techniques and procedures
- Basic electrics
- Braking systems
- Lifting equipment and procedures
- Fuels/lubricants/consumables
- Welding/brazing/soldering
- CI and SI power units and associated systems

#### Subjects specific to General Plant Mechanics

- Multi-cylinder power units
- Transmissions
- Hydraulics
- Air brake systems
- Steering and suspension systems

- Tracks/wheels/tyres
- Auxiliary plant
- Compressors, air tools and pneumatics
- Testing and diagnostic procedures
- Functional and operating procedures

### Entry requirements

The recommended entry qualifications are four GCSEs at level D or higher. However, all candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests to determine their suitability and achievement potential.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ College and on-site assessment

### Qualification/Certification

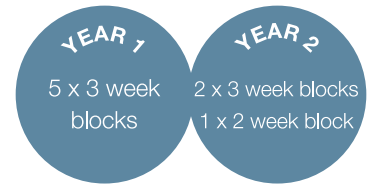
- ✓ Apprenticeship – Plant Mechanics, Advanced Apprenticeship – Plant Mechanics, SVQ Level 2 – Plant Maintenance (Specified Discipline), SVQ Level 3 – Plant Maintenance (Specified Discipline), First Aid certificate, Fire fighting, Health and Safety test, Manual Handling, Abrasive Wheels

### Where to next?

Apprentices can go on to achieve SVQ Plant Maintenance Supervisory/Management qualifications.

# Roofing Apprenticeship: Built-up Felt Roofing

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The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People who would like to follow a career in built-up felt roofing. Applicants will need to have a good head for heights and enjoy working outdoors, whatever the weather. Built-up felt roofers need to be able to cope with figures, so that they can calculate areas and volumes.

## Course aims and benefits

The Built-up Felt Roofing course has been designed in close consultation with the roofing industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme.

It provides training and assessment in bitumen, roofing felts, surfacing and insulation materials, tools and equipment, regulations and standards together with the practical and theoretical knowledge required to achieve the built-up felt roofing framework.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Mobile towers
- Fire fighting
- Safe use of ladders
- Manual handling

#### Practical training

- Preparing background surfaces
- Preparing materials and components
- Storing resources ready for use
- Providing setting out for applied waterproof membranes
- Repairing surface defects
- Applying materials to the structural fabric
- Roll and pour techniques
- Torch-on techniques
- Establishing the suitability of the work area and access equipment (roofing occupations)
- Contributing to efficient working practices
- Abrasive wheels

## Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

## Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

## Methods of assessment

- ✓ All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the college. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an S/NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.

## Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Applied Waterproof Membranes (Built-up Felt Roofing), Key Skills – Level 1, S/NVQ Level 2 – Applied, Waterproof Membranes (Built-up Felt Roofing), Mobile Towers, First Aid Appointed Persons, Fire fighting, Health and Safety test, Safe Use of Ladders, Manual Handling, Abrasive Wheels

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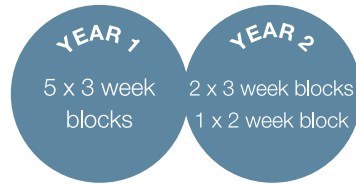
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# Roofing Apprenticeship: Roof Sheeting and Cladding

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The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

People who wish to start a career in the roof sheeting and cladding industry and are motivated to work hard to become valuable members of the construction workforce. Apprentices should have a good head for heights and be prepared to work outdoors whatever the weather. Some mathematical ability is needed for estimating and measuring.

## Course aims and benefits

The course has been designed in close consultation with industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme. It provides training and assessment in single and double skin, also factory-assembled composite systems that include flashings, fasteners and fixings, together with the practical and theoretical knowledge required to achieve the roof sheeting and cladding framework. Apprentices learn how to cut, shape and fix materials including metal, plastic and cement panels to create walls and roofs.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Mobile towers
- Fire fighting
- Safe use of ladders
- Manual handling

#### Practical training

- Contributing to efficient working practices
- Establishing the suitability of the work area and access equipment (roofing occupations)
- Preparing roof sheeting and cladding materials and components for installation
- Applying roof sheeting and cladding to the structural fabric
- Providing setting out for roof sheeting and cladding
- Installing rainwater goods (roof sheeting and cladding)
- Preparing background surfaces to receive roof sheeting and cladding
- Repairing waterproof furnishings to roof sheeting and cladding

- Carrying out slinging and signalling for the movement of loads
- Storing resources ready for use
- Telescopic boom and scissor lift
- Abrasive wheels
- Mobile towers

### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

### Methods of assessment

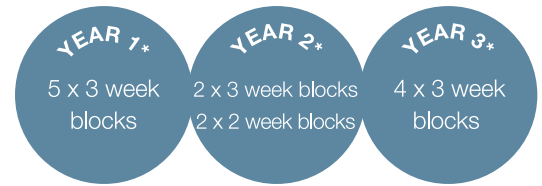
- ✓ All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the college. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an S/NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Roof Sheeting and Cladding, S/NVQ Level 2 – Roof Sheeting and Cladding, Key Skills – Level 1, Telescopic Boom lift, Abrasive Wheels, Mobile Towers, Scissor Lift, First Aid Appointed Persons, Fire fighting, Health and Safety test, Safe Use of Ladders, Manual Handling

# Roofing Apprenticeship: Roof Slating and Tiling

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## Who's the course for?

People who wish to start a career in the roofing industry and are motivated to work hard to become valuable members of the construction workforce. Apprentices will need to have a good head for heights, and be capable of reading and interpreting plans, instructions and drawings, as well as being able to calculate areas and quantities of materials required.

## Course aims and benefits

The course has been designed in close consultation with industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme. It provides training and assessment in plain tiles, interlocking tiles, cement fibre slates and so on, to cover valleys, hips and general areas together with the practical and theoretical knowledge to achieve the roof slating and tiling framework.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Drug and alcohol awareness
- Mobile towers
- Fire fighting
- Safe use of ladders
- Manual handling

#### Practical training

- Prepare and mix mortars
- Confirm and interpret information for construction operations
- Conform to general workplace health and safety for construction operations
- Select the required quantity and quality of resources for construction operations
- Comply with organisational procedures for construction operations
- Comply with the given programme for construction operations
- Install fibre-cement slates and related materials
- Install flashings to standard roof details
- Install plain tiles and related materials
- Install regular sized natural slates and related materials

- Install single lap roof tiles and related materials
- Install underlay, battens and related background materials
- Strip and reclaim slates, tiles and related materials

### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the college. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Roof Slating and Tiling, NVQ Level 2 – Roof Slating and Tiling, Intermediate Certificate (ICA) Roof Slating and Tiling, Key Skills – Level 1, Mobile Towers, First Aid appointed persons, Fire fighting, Health and Safety test, Safe Use of Ladders, Manual Handling, Abrasive Wheels

\*Note that this course runs at NCC Midlands as a 15 week block Year 1 and a 10 week block Year 2

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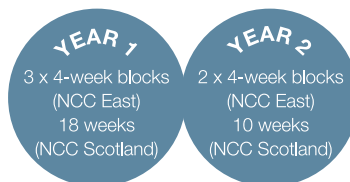
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# Specialist Apprenticeship: Interior Systems Suspended Ceiling Fixing and Partition Fixing



The remaining part of the programme is spent on-site with the apprentice's employer to gain work experience.

## Who's the course for?

For people who want to build a career in working with suspended ceiling fixing, relocatable partitioning and dry-lining fixing and are motivated to work hard to become valuable members of the construction work force.

## Course aims and benefits

The course has been designed in close consultation with the interior systems industry sector and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme. The training is designed to provide a sound working knowledge of a wide variety of industry skills that will prepare apprentices, for further career progression and to work competently on site.

### Course content

#### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

#### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Mobile towers
- Fire fighting
- Safe use of ladders
- Manual handling

#### Practical training

- Materials
- Tools
- Proprietary systems
- Installing components to structural fabric
- Reading datums and levels (including laser)
- Services
- Specifications and schedules
- Storing resources ready for use
- Erecting and dismantling working platforms
- Contributing to efficient working practices
- MEWP (CPCS) (not in Scotland)

#### Ceiling Fixing

- Installing suspended ceiling systems
- Installing suspended ceiling cavity barrier systems

#### Partitioning (not in Scotland)

- Doors: hanging, fixing locks and furniture
- Removing and relocating aluminium framed partition systems
- Installing relocatable aluminium framed partition systems

To achieve SVQ Level 3, further training is required in the following supervisory units: Site measurement and surveys; Planning and organisation; Monitoring, control and evaluation of operatives; Complex interior proprietary systems.

### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests.

### Training methods

- ✓ Practical/hands on
- ✓ Classroom/tutorials

### Methods of assessment

- ✓ College and on-site assessment

### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Apprenticeship – Interior Systems, S/NVQ Level 2 – Interior Systems (Ceiling Fixing/ Relocatable Partitions), SVQ Level 3 – Interior Systems (Ceiling Fixing/Relocatable Partitions), Key Skills – Level 1 (not applicable in Scotland), Scissor-type and Boom-type Mobile Elevating Work Platforms (not Scotland), Mobile Towers (scaffolding element only), First Aid appointed persons, Health and Safety test

### Where to next?

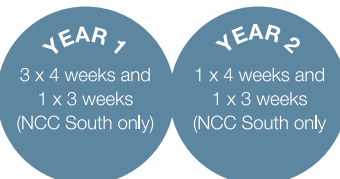
This course can lead towards further career advancement in design, finance and sales within the Interior Specialists' sector.

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# Specialist Apprenticeship: Floor Covering

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## Who's the course for

People who wish to start a career in the flooring industry and are motivated to work hard to become valuable members of the construction work force.

### Course aims and benefits

The course has been designed in close consultation with industry and is offered as part of the Apprenticeship programme. It provides training and assessment in the cutting, laying and fitting of textile & impervious floor coverings including vinyl, thermoplastic, lino and other sheet materials to floors and stair areas together with the practical and theoretical knowledge to achieve the flooring framework.

#### Course content

##### Key Skills

- Application of numbers
- Communications

##### Induction Programme

- Mandatory subjects
- Mobile towers & safe use of ladders
- Fire fighting
- Manual handling

##### Practical training

- Developing customer relationships
- Storing materials and equipment
- Conforming to efficient work practices
- Moving and handling resources
- Preparing surfaces to receive floor coverings
- Setting out for laying floor coverings
- Installing textile floor coverings
- Installing impervious floor coverings
- Erecting and dismantling:
  - basic work platforms
  - access platforms (up to 5 metres high)
  - working platforms

#### Entry requirements

All candidates will be required to complete a Skills Learning exercise, and some will need to attend the college for further tests. Apprentices should be capable of reading and interpreting plans, instructions and drawings, as well as

being able to calculate areas and quantities of materials required. Flooring projects are often of relatively short duration and so this career may at times offer the opportunity of some travelling to new projects.

#### Training methods

- ✓ Training at the college combines classroom and practical training.

#### Methods of assessment

- ✓ All knowledge and understanding assessments will be carried out during attendance at the College. Arrangements will be made to assess apprentices in the workplace during on-site periods. Guidance in portfolio collation and assessments for an NVQ Level 2 qualification will be discussed with the employer and apprentice.

#### Qualification/Certification

- ✓ Foundation Apprenticeship – Flooring, NVQ Level 2 – Floor Covering, Intermediate Certificate (ICA) flooring, Key Skills – Level 1, Mobile Towers, First Aid Appointed Persons, Fire fighting, Health and Safety test, Safe Use of Ladders, Manual Handling

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# Case Study

**David Hayden has been working for Knightsbridge Property Services Ltd, a specialist provider of building and maintenance services for four years.**

Last year, David attended the Built Up Felt Roofing course at the National Construction College's (NCC) South campus in Erith, Kent, where he was awarded the accolades of "Top Second Year Built Up Felt Roofing Apprentice" and "Apprentice of the Year".

In order to succeed in the construction industry David recognises that you need to have the right qualifications.

"Nowadays it's virtually impossible to get a job without having the right qualifications. My role is very specialised and needs specific training and skills, which the National Construction College was able to provide. The College was actually the only place that I found that offered the qualifications I needed.

"It was a bit daunting to go back to college after working, but I needn't have worried. The instructors were all very down to earth and helpful, they really knew their stuff."

David would recommend the National Construction College to anyone who's considering a career in construction.

"I've had a brilliant time at the National Construction College and received top class training."

**Name:** David Hayden

**Company:** Knightsbridge Property Services Ltd

**Job Title:** Built-Up Felt Roofer

