

Level 3 Carpentry



Subject Area	Construction
Course Type	School Leavers
Study Level	Level 3
Delivery Mode	Full-time
Duration	1 Academic Year
Start Date	September 2026
Course Code	PA000531

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Course Summary

Our Level 3 Site Carpentry course provides you with a comprehensive and industry focused pathway to continue your studies in the construction sector, building on your existing skills and preparing you for advanced technical work. This programme is designed for learners who are ready to progress beyond the fundamentals and develop the deeper knowledge, practical ability and professional understanding required to work confidently across a wide range of site carpentry environments.

Throughout the course, you'll explore the technical principles that underpin modern construction and structural carpentry, while gaining hands-on experience with the tools, materials and methods used across the industry. You'll develop the ability to interpret complex technical drawings, follow industry standards, and apply safe, efficient working practices in real-world site scenarios.

The qualification is structured to help you grow both academically and practically, supporting your progression into employment, an apprenticeship, or further specialist training. By combining classroom learning with practical workshop and site-based activities, the course ensures you are fully prepared for the responsibilities and expectations of a skilled site carpenter.

What You Will Learn

You will develop advanced site carpentry skills, from constructing and installing complex structural components to interpreting detailed technical drawings and working with

absolute precision. The course strengthens your ability to plan and organise work effectively, solve problems on site, and apply safe, efficient working methods. You'll also deepen your understanding of building regulations, modern construction standards and sustainable working practices, preparing you for the demands of professional site carpentry.

Modules

Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction
Carry out First Fix Flooring and Roofing
Carry out Second Fixing Operations
Principles of Organising, Planning and Pricing Construction Work
Carry out First Fix Roofing and Stairs
Carry out Second Fixing Double Doors and Mouldings
Set Up and Use Fixed and Transportable Machinery

Entry Requirements

Applicants and progressing learners must have GCSE Maths and GCSE English at a grade 4 as a minimum and successfully completed a Level 2 Carpentry & Joinery qualification.

Work Experience

You will undertake a minimum of 10 hours of work preparation activities and 30 hours of work experience, with a strong focus on developing professional level skills. This includes enhancing your industry awareness, building key construction sector competencies, understanding workplace expectations and responsibilities, and participating in sector specific projects.

You will also have the opportunity to join the Ambition [HUB], where you can partake in employer led and career focused masterclasses throughout the year. As part of this, you will work on a year long employer designed project and may undertake up to 160 hours of additional work experience. This extended experience supports your understanding of workplace culture and helps you develop adaptability, communication and resilience.

Progression

Successful completion of this course can lead to further opportunities in employment or an apprenticeship. It can also open pathways to higher-level qualifications such as an NVQ Level 3 or Level 4 in Construction, site management roles, or specialist carpentry positions. It is an essential step for those aiming to become fully qualified site carpenters or progress into supervisory and management roles within the construction industry.

Careers include:
Site Carpenter
Bench Joiner
Shop Fitter

Kitchen Fitter
Modular Build Installer
Wood Machinist

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