

Level 1 Diploma in Bricklaying



Subject Area	Construction
Course Type	School Leavers
Study Level	Level 1
Delivery Mode	Full-time
Duration	1 Academic Year
Start Date	September 2026
Course Code	PA000858

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Course Summary

Our Level 1 Bricklaying course offers an ideal starting point for learners who want to begin their training and work towards a future career in the bricklaying industry. It introduces the core principles behind one of the most practical and essential roles in the construction sector, giving learners a clear first step into the world of bricklaying. At least half of the course is spent completing practical tasks in the workshop, giving you hands-on experience while you learn the key principles of bricklaying. You will also spend dedicated time in the classroom developing your understanding of the theory to support your practical skills.

This course includes project-based learning that embeds GCSE Maths and GCSE English directly into theoretical and practical, vocational tasks through a contextualised model. This ensures learners develop relevant, essential and applied skills that align with the expectations of the construction industry and support their long-term progression.

What You Will Learn

You will learn how to follow health and safety practices, know and use tools and equipment for a range of bricklaying tasks, and work with different types of materials and mortar mixes. You will be able to hone your hand skills in the workshop by measuring and marking out, laying a range of brick work to set lines, and constructing different basic walling features. This will include a basic understanding of bricklaying checks and techniques, such as level, plumb, gauge and bond.

Modules

Principles of Building Construction, Information and Communication

Contribute to Setting Out and Building of Masonry Structures Up to Damp Proof Course

Carrying Out Blocklaying Activities

Carrying Out Bricklaying Activities

Carrying Out Cavity Walling Activities

Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction

Entry Requirements

Applicants must have GCSE Maths and GCSE English at a grade 3 as a minimum

Learners progressing internally must have also successfully completed an Introduction to Construction qualification.

Work Experience

You will undertake at least two meaningful encounters with employers, giving you a genuine introduction to the world of work. Throughout the course, you will partake in workplace visits, industry insight events, employer talks and practical workshops, all designed to build your communication, problem-solving and teamwork skills. You will also undertake focused employability activities, including CV writing, job applications and interview skills.

You will additionally partake in activities that support wellbeing and mental health, helping you build confidence, resilience and positive habits as you prepare for future study and employment.

Progression

Successful completion of this course can lead to progression onto our Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying, as well as opportunities for employment or an apprenticeship.

Careers include:

Bricklayer

Heritage Bricklayer

Groundworker

Site Operative/Supervisor

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