

Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery



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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	PA000787

Course Summary

Our Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery course provides you with the fundamental knowledge and skills required to continue your career in the construction industry as a craftsman in wood occupations. This course blends theoretical learning with hands-on experience, preparing you for further study and employment. As an aspiring carpenter or joiner working in domestic, commercial, or industrial environments, you will develop a strong understanding of the manufacturing and installation of structural and nonstructural timber products and components, first fix and second fix operations, and a range of setting-out and installation methods. You'll also gain expertise in industry standards, safety regulations, and best practices. Upon successful completion, you will be ready to take the next steps in your career.

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 about the importance of health and safety in the carpentry and joinery industry, along with the core principles behind modern timber construction. This includes understanding structural components, fixing methods, setting out techniques, and the theory behind first and second fix operations. You'll also develop your knowledge of the different types of materials, the use of hand tools and basic power tools, measuring and marking out materials accurately and calculations used in contemporary carpentry and joinery work.

You will also take advantage of learning about green skills and sustainability, with a strong focus on energy efficient building methods, responsible material selection, and modern low carbon construction practices. This includes an awareness of sustainable timber products, smart construction technologies, and environmentally conscious site procedures. There's never been a better time to train as a modern carpentry and joinery professional.

Modules

Health and Safety in a Construction Environment

Principles of Welfare, Health and Safety in Construction Environments

Principles of Working in the Construction Industry

Timber Technology

Planning and Preparation for Setting Out and Marking Out Architectural Joinery

Use of Woodworking Machinery

Architectural Joinery Component Production

Assembly and Finishing of Architectural Joinery Products

Entry Requirements

Applicants and progressing learners must have GCSE Maths and GCSE English at a grade 3 as a minimum and successfully completed a Level 1 Carpentry & Joinery qualification.

Work Experience

You will undertake a minimum of two meaningful employer encounters and two employer-led masterclasses, all designed to develop your soft and foundational skills. Throughout the course, you will partake in tailored workplace visits and industry insight events, explore specific career pathways and gain a clear understanding of workplace expectations. You will also undertake mock interviews, CV development activities and receive guidance and support from industry professionals to help you prepare for your next steps.

Progression

Successful completion of this course can lead to progression onto our Level 3 Diploma in Carpentry & Joinery, as well as opportunities for employment or an apprenticeship. Careers include: Site Carpenter Bench Joiner Shop Fitter Kitchen Fitter Modular Build Installer Wood Machinist

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