

Apprenticeships in Carpentry and Joinery



Apprenticeships allow you to combine work with college-based training and result in the achievement of a range of qualifications. Abingdon and Witney College apprenticeships delivered on the Moulton campus offer a Level 2 and Level 3 Apprenticeship Standard in either Site Carpentry or Architectural Joinery.

Level 2 Apprenticeship Standard

Our Level 2 Apprenticeship Standard has been designed for people who are just starting a career as a Site Carpenter and/or Architectural Joiner. You will have two choices, Site Carpentry or Architectural Joinery. You will start by learning basic woodwork joints i.e. dovetail and mortice working towards completing a four joint frame. As you develop your skills you will study the making or fitting of windows, doors and stairs and many more tasks. If you study the site carpentry pathway you will also cover all aspects of first and second fix and roofing.

Advanced Apprenticeship

Our Advanced Apprenticeship is designed for people who have completed a Level 2 Apprenticeship Standard and are developing their career. You will develop skills in complex curved work on the Bench Joinery pathway or cut roofing and structural maintenance on the Site Carpentry pathway.



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Apprenticeship requirements

To complete your apprenticeship, you will also need to achieve English and maths, if you haven't already achieved a C (new level 4) or above at GCSE. You will also complete wider skills development relating to professional behaviours which will support you in your chosen career and complete an End Point Assessment including a practical skills test and short written test.



Well equipped to deliver training in Carpentry and Joinery:

- Industry-experienced lecturers
- Well-equipped workshops for students to undertake practical work
- A fully equipped mill complete with fixed carpentry and joinery machinery
- A range of roofing rigs to simulate site environments
- Industry standard tools and equipment
- Modern classrooms equipped with the latest technology



Apprenticeships benefit the apprentice and the business they work for. Apprentices not only gain a job but also benefit from bespoke training and businesses are able to take on additional contracts, bring new skills and enthusiasm into the team and ultimately improve the bottom line.

Getting started on an Apprenticeship

At the outset of the apprenticeship, we work with you and your employer to design an apprenticeship that will best suit your role. These apprenticeships usually take about two years to complete but again, we'll discuss this with you at the start.

I feel that my experience with both the college course and the placement with SDRB Joinery has been invaluable – I learnt not only the practical skills at work but also a lot of knowledge based skills on my Bench Joinery course.

Matthew Clarke, Apprentice at SDRB Joinery Ltd

Since 2013 the company has employed Matthew Clarke. Matthew is a valuable addition to the company and is involved in all aspects of the manufacturing process. Through his success, the company continues to grow.

Simon Boardman, Director of SDRB Joinery Ltd

Applying for an Apprenticeship

Apprentices need to be employed in a relevant role for at least 30 hours a week and be at least 16 years old. You may already have an employer who wants you to complete an apprenticeship with them but if you don't, get in touch and we'll see if we can help. Acceptance will be subject to initial assessment and interview to ensure that the apprenticeship is suitable for your vocational aptitude and transferable skills levels.



How Apprenticeships benefit businesses:

- Apprentices bring new skills and enthusiasm into your team
- Your apprentice will be trained by industry experts
- Apprenticeships can be tailored to meet your industry needs
- We can help you recruit apprentices
- 100% Government contribution for training a 16 – 18 year old in a small business (less than 50 employees)
- Incentive grant of £1000 to support the additional costs of employing a young apprentice

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