**BTEC Level 1 introductory in Construction.**

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**Why study a Level 1 introductory in Construction?**

This course provides an engaging introduction to a variety of trades within construction. Units are broken down into tasks; written, drawing and practical. There is a strong practical element to this course and students will have the opportunity to develop a number of construction trade skills over the duration of the course.

**What does the course involve?**

Students will compile a portfolio of written and practical evidence to demonstrate competence. This is a work related qualification that is designed to provide a motivating programme of study addressing the key areas of knowledge, understanding and skills required for learners contemplating a career within the construction industry, including the key issues of sustainability and health, safety and welfare.

**A1 - Starting Work in Construction**

Being organised and being able to manage your time is essential for success in your education. This unit will introduce you to ways that will help you to plan and use your time effectively, as well as organising yourself and your work. After learning and practising these techniques, you will have the opportunity to put them into practice over a period of time, reviewing how successful they were and whether they improved your organisational skills.

**A2– Developing a Personal Progression Plan**

This unit will help you find out what opportunities are available to you and how to get to the next stage. You will carry out a self-audit, identifying what your strengths are and what you need to develop to be able to meet your progression goals. You will learn how to set goals and plan ways to achieve them. The skills you develop in this unit will be good preparation when applying for another course or training programme.

**Con 7 – Making Carpentry Joints**

The skills of a joiner or carpenter are often used when a building is being constructed. This unit will help you to start developing the skills needed to make carpentry joints. You will find out how to read from a drawing, measure out timber and mark cuts. You will learn how to use the correct tools and equipment to make a wooden frame.

**Con 11 – Decorating and Inside Wall**

In this unit, you will develop the skills needed to paint an inside wall, skirting boards, dado rails and coving. You will develop the skills needed to cut, paste and apply wallpaper to a wall. You will find out which tools and equipment are needed for each job and learn why thorough preparation is needed for a quality finish.

**Con 14 – Developing Building Maintenance Skills**

This unit will give you the opportunity to recognize building maintenance work that needs addressing, the cause and the solution to the problem. You will learn the correct resources and processes that are needed to complete building maintenance work. You will have the opportunity to practice building maintenance skills to complete work safely and following the correct processes for the task at hand.

**How will I be assessed?**

This course is 100% coursework which is internally marked and externally moderated.

**What are my progression routes?**

Completing this level 1 Introductory course will provide you with the skills needed to pursue other BTEC courses at level 1 and 2 within the Construction industry.