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Construction Apprenticeships – Could be the right move for you



The Northern Ireland Construction Industry needs more apprentices to help build the future of the industry and our country.

You could be part of the essential work that helps to drive the economy forward, constructing a huge range of buildings and infrastructure including, houses, hospitals, roads, motorways and large investment projects.

The construction industry offers a wide variety of exciting career opportunities and continues to need high quality new recruits to minimise the threat of skills shortages.

There are dozens of construction apprenticeship available covering a wide variety of trades and occupations.

Many Construction Managers and other construction professionals started their careers as apprentices so there is opportunity for career progression.



Benefits of being a construction apprentice

There are many benefits for you and your employer when you take part in an apprenticeship:

- You earn while you learn
- You work alongside experienced crafts people gaining hands on training
- You receive off-the-job training specific to your apprenticeship that can lead on to other qualifications and opportunities.
- You gain qualifications
- You get a chance to use skills
- You develop a career with a future
- Your confidence and abilities increase
- Potential to become self-employed in the future
- Use your skills to work around the world
- If your employer is a CITB NI Registered Employer they can receive up to £4,000 grant funding for the duration of your apprenticeship and are eligible for more Government funding to the value of £1,500

What types of Apprenticeships Exist?

Find out more on what type of apprenticeships exist and see what is best suited to you.

How much will I get paid? This will be agreed with your employer, but the current national minimum wage is £3.50 per hour and the current recommended rate agreed by the Joint Council for the Building & Civil Engineering is over £200 per week (£5.39 per hour) rising to over £400 per week (£10.56 per hour)

Find Opportunities - Apprenticeship and school work experience opportunities will be advertised on **Connect to Success NI** a free online service developed by the Department for the Economy that enables employers to promote opportunities.

- You can also search the JobCentre Online, newspapers, check recruitment websites or call employers yourself.

Training - When you start an apprenticeship. Your employer will help you arrange 'off the job' training. **Find out who delivers apprenticeship training in your area.**

If you are unsure about which apprenticeship you want to follow, or just need more information on what the Apprenticeships programme can do for you, contact the Department for the Economy helpline:

Phone: Helpline: **0300 200 7876**
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