
Level 2 City and Guilds 6709 Diploma Awareness of Construction Operations

What is the course about?

The construction sector is vital in contributing to the Islands economy and in providing the essential infrastructure to support other sectors. In light of the current economic climate it is more essential than ever to gain skills and qualifications in this area, to improve future prospects and career progression. All our tutors are experienced master craftsmen and women and progression through the course might be able to provide an opportunity for an apprenticeship or full time employment in the construction industry.

This qualification allows students to learn, develop and practice the skills required for employment and/or a career as a general construction operative. Students will acquire an industry recognised mark of quality which will support them into employment and as they progress throughout their careers.

Aimed at learners that are either new to the Construction Industry or those who wish to have a qualification that recognises their skills, the course is mainly practical, with some theory, and is suitable for 17+ year olds who work or want work as a General Construction Operator in the Construction sector.

What are the entry requirements?

You will need to have a minimum of 1 GCSE grades D (or above), or Multi Skills at Merit grade.

Mature entrants (over 18) may be allowed entry if they can demonstrate that they have an equivalent to the academic criteria. Applications from experienced construction operatives will be considered on their own merit. As applications for this course are usually high and available student spaces are strictly limited, you are encouraged to make an application to College as soon as practicable. Final selection for the course is via interview.

What subjects will I study?

The course is broken down into a mixture of units and includes:

- Health, Safety & Welfare in Construction
- Principles of building construction, information and communication
- Construction site protection barriers
- Lay domestic drainage
- Construct foundations, slabs and paths in concrete

A course specific handbook can be found on the City & Guilds website:

<http://www.cityandguilds.com/courses-and-qualifications/construction/construction/6709-construction-operations-general-construction>

How will I be assessed?

The course commences September. Each unit is split into practical and theory elements. Students will learn in the classroom and in the workshop, using suitable tools and materials. This qualification is assessed through the completion of set practical pieces.

Students will have to demonstrate that they can meet basic levels of numeracy and literacy, which are integral to this course.

Students who have an F or lower in English or Maths are required to attend functional skills as part of the course.

Those students enrolled on the full time provision that already have a D or E in English or Maths will be given the opportunity to re-sit one GCSE free of charge as part of their life skills development.

Attendance

- Part time – One full day attendance for 2 years
- Full time – Two full day attendance for 1 year.

What are my progression and career options?

Successful completion of this course will assist students in progressing onto:

- Craft apprenticeship *
- National Diploma in Construction and the Built Environment Level 3

* Will require additional qualifications for Electrical Installation & Plumbing

Who should I contact?

Please contact the Programme Area Secretary on 648205 or email applications@ucm.ac.im