

Construction

Bricklaying Level 2 Full-time (including the T Level Foundation Year)

In Brief

Start Date

This 1-2 year study programme starts in September.

Entry Requirements

- Three GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English. If you do not have English GCSE grade 2 you will need to have a successful interview with an initial assessment in English and Maths at Entry Level 3 or above.
- **If you have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and Maths, you will have the chance to fast-track to year two after successful completion of a six week assessment period.**

You will achieve

- City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying

Course Overview

Bricklaying allows you to work on a range of projects, from creating a single conservatory to building brand new homes or large commercial developments. A bricklayer's job is to create and maintain structures, walls, chimneys, walkways and foundations using various types of blocks and tiles. They generally work on residential, commercial or industrial projects

You could also work on restoration projects, refurbishing brickwork and masonry. To become a bricklayer, you will need to be able to read plans and work in an organised way. If you enjoy doing practical things and you are interested in construction, bricklaying could be the perfect career for you.

Barnsley College's Construction Centre, also known as The CUBE, houses innovative and inspiring work areas with industry-led equipment, providing a high quality learning experience for students.

Course Content

Course themes:

- Introduction to health and safety in construction
- Principles of building construction, information and communication
- Contribute to setting out and building of masonry structures and complete a damp proof course
- Carrying out blocklaying, bricklaying cavity and walling activities
- Building solid walling, isolated and attached piers
- Interpreting working drawings to set out masonry structures
- Principles of organising, planning and pricing construction work
- Constructing radial and battered brickwork
- Carrying out decorative and reinforced brickwork
- Constructing fireplaces and chimneys

Employability skills are general skills that you will need in most jobs. On this course you will learn a range of employability skills such as teamwork, communication, CV writing and self-management, all of which are required by employers.

How will I be assessed?

Throughout the study programme your work will be assessed for a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade. Achieving this Diploma means that you have reached the standards expected by the industry.

What Equipment Will I Need?

Work boots, gloves and eye protection will need to be purchased prior to starting your course. Financial assistance may be available.

Where will I study?

Construction Centre
Honeywell Lane
Barnsley
S75 1BP

What can I do next?

Successful completion of this Level 2 study programme could lead to progressing to the Level 3 Brickwork [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/course/bricklaying-level-3-full-time/>] study programme. Alternatively, you could use the qualification to improve your chances of gaining a Brickwork Apprenticeship [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/our-departments/apprenticeships/>] which will give you valuable work experience.

See what careers are available in the Construction [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2023/10/Construction-careers-2023-24.pdf>] sector. Use our online careers tool, Career Coach [<https://barnsley.lightcastcc.com/?radius=®ion=Barnsley>], to find out what your next steps could be.

How much does the course cost?

16 – 18 year olds

Full-time Barnsley College students aged 16-18 years old do not have to pay tuition fees.

19+ Students

Aged 19 or over and thinking about further education? You may be eligible for free or reduced course fees. Please refer to our page ['paying for your course.'](#)

Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on +44 (0)1226 216 267.

Extra information

Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk]

Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and the Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/our-departments/sport/sports-academy/>].

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't already have a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths they will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards higher grades in English and Maths we can help you do that too.

Need a higher level Maths qualification? We offer a [Level 3 Mathematical Studies \(Core Maths\)](#).

This can be added to your study programme.

If you need any further information, please contact our friendly [Information Team](#).

Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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