

# LEVEL 3 PLUMBING & HEATING TECHNICIAN APPRENTICESHIP

Subject Area  
Student Type  
Study Mode

Construction &  
Construction Trades  
Students aged 16-18  
Part Time

## What is the course about?

As a plumbing apprentice you will gain a valuable insight into how the construction industry works. Plumbing is a very lucrative career with great earning potential and this apprenticeship will ensure you learn how to carry out a variety of tasks in both domestic and commercial settings. You will also develop customer service skills and learn how to work in customers' homes as well as on building sites.

## Why should I choose the course?

As a plumbing apprentice you will gain a valuable insight into how the construction industry works. Plumbing is a very lucrative career with great earning potential. As a qualified plumber, you will likely find yourself in high demand and have the opportunity to work on a wide variety of jobs. You will carry out your jobs to a high standard, giving you a sense of accomplishment after each task is completed.

## What will I learn?

You will learn how to carry out the installation of plumbing and heating systems, which involves accurate measuring, marking, cutting, bending and jointing metallic and non-metallic pipework. Appliances and equipment you may be working with include gas, oil and solid fuel boilers as well as pumps, heat emitter, bathroom furniture and controls. This equipment may form part of a cold-water system, hot water system, central heating system, or above ground drainage and rainwater system. Apprentices are also at the forefront of installing new environmental technologies like heat pumps, solar thermal systems, biomass boilers and water recycling systems.

## How is the apprenticeship delivered?

The apprenticeship is delivered over 48 months, and you will be fully supported by the college every step of the way. During your apprenticeship you will attend college one day per week, with the other four days spent with your employer. As an apprentice you will be allocated a tutor and an assessor, who will come out to visit you onsite.

## What will the course lead on to?

The construction industry has a huge range of career opportunities. After becoming a qualified tradesperson, you could pursue a range of career paths, from site management to owning your own business. You may also wish to take your studies further and complete the HNC in Construction & the Built Environment. For more information and advice, contact our Learner Services Team on 01925 494400 or [learner.services@wvr.ac.uk](mailto:learner.services@wvr.ac.uk)



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## What support is available?

You will be allocated a designated tutor to guide you through your apprenticeship. We have a team of staff dedicated to providing learning support if required, as well as a Welfare Team that is on hand to offer guidance, support and help when needed.

Click here for learning support: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/learning-support>

## Why should I choose to study the course at Warrington & Vale Royal College?

Warrington & Vale Royal College has a long history of delivering bespoke, high-quality apprenticeships across a wide range of sectors. We take pride in our apprentices and ensure they leave us with the skills they need to forge a career in their chosen industry. We work with all manner of employers to ensure all parties' interests are met throughout the apprenticeship journey. We also have a dedicated apprenticeship matching service which matches your skills to a suitable apprenticeship employer.

## What are the entry requirements?

Entry requirements for this apprenticeship programme are GCSE grades 9-4, or level 2 functional skills qualifications in English and maths. We will consider those who need to resit either their English or maths qualification, however those that need to resit both will not meet the entry requirements for this apprenticeship programme.

If you are required to resit either English or maths, you will be invited to undertake an initial assessment. If deemed suitable, you must be willing to achieve your level 2 English/maths qualification before the end of the apprenticeship programme as part of your study.



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