

Course Level: Level 1

Campus: Stafford

Subject Type: Construction & Engineering

Course Overview:

Craft your career with our Level 1 Diploma in Carpentry & Joinery. Learn essential skills in woodworking, joinery techniques, and construction principles. Through practical workshops and theoretical instruction, you will gain hands-on experience in crafting structures and fittings. This comprehensive program prepares you for entry-level roles in the construction industry or further studies in carpentry and joinery. Join us to unlock your potential in this rewarding field.

What's Covered:

This course will provide you with a good introduction into the Construction Industry and Carpentry and Joinery. You will develop practical skills in this trade and once you have completed the Level 1 Diploma you will then progress onto either the Level 2 Diploma in Site Carpentry or the Level 2 Diploma in Bench Joinery.

You will learn about basic issues relating to construction including working safely, handling & storing resources, your responsibilities at work, communication skills and your will develop your personal effectiveness skills to enable you to progress to further training or employment. As part of your study programme here at the College, you will complete a maths and/or English qualification alongside your chosen course if you have not already achieved a grade 4 or above. The study programme will also incorporate a range of work related experience activities to ensure that you have the breadth of skills required to progress to further/higher education, employment or an apprenticeship.

100%

pass rate

Entry Requirements:

As a condition of being offered a place on this course, you would be expected to meet the following entry requirements:

- 1. Submit a school report showing your attendance, behaviour and effort details
- 2. Attend the Department Experience Day in June 2026
- 3. Complete a summer assignment which would be set on Experience Day in June 2026
- 4. You will need to achieve/have achieved GCSEs at grade 3 or above in Maths and a grade 2 or above in English Language

Assessment Information:

You will be assessed by the use of practical assessments and assignments that will form part of a portfolio of your work. You will also complete practical tests and multiple choice theory tests online at the end of your training course.

Fees and Financial Support:

This course is free for anyone aged 16 – 18.

College Maintenance Allowance (CMA):

Anyone with a gross household income under £35,000 can receive financial support to cover college related costs such as transport, meals, course equipment and uniform. Bursary support is based on individual circumstances and will be allocated to best suit your individual needs. A range

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of other financial support is available depending on your personal circumstances. For more details visit nscg.ac.uk/finance

Progression:

Having completed the course, you will be well prepared to progress to the Level 2 Diploma in Carpentry & Joinery. If you prefer to move into employment, you may be able to become an apprentice with a local company where you would work on site for four days per week but continue your learning at College one day a week.

How do I find out more?

If you wish to find out more you can call the Admin Office on 01785 275535 or email GE2admin@nulc.ac.uk.