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FOUNDATION APPRENTICESHIPS IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



Information Pack



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Foundation Apprenticeship in Engineering (Mechanical) (SCQF level 6)

Foundation Apprenticeships prepare you for the world of work giving you more choices when you leave school:

- You get real life work experience with employers gaining the skills that employers want.
- You learn on the job, gaining qualifications which fast track you on to a Modern Apprenticeship giving you a head start.
- You get an industry accredited qualification alongside school qualifications which enhance College or UCAS application.
- You may take studies to a higher level, earn while you learn, undertake a Modern/Graduate Apprenticeship.

Who is this for?

Engineering is a challenging, exciting and rewarding career that presents a wealth of opportunities for Scotland's young people to enter a diverse and often unique field of work including research, design and development and manufacturing. The sector continues to expand and grow and the Scottish Government recognises the sector as one of the key economic priority areas for investment.

The Foundation Apprenticeship in Engineering (Mechanical) aims to give young people the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge to work towards a career in Engineering, the Advanced Manufacturing sector and other Engineering related industries. It can also provide credit and progression towards related Modern Apprenticeship Framework. The programme is offered to S5 pupils over two years who are looking to supplement school study with an industry recognised qualification. You will spend part of the week out of school developing skills and knowledge across a range of topics and getting hands-on experience with an employer. You must have the ability to study at SCQF level 6 (higher equivalent), meet entry requirements and have a desire to develop a career in Engineering.

What qualifications will I gain?

The Foundation Apprenticeship is certificated by SQA. On successful completion you will achieve a Joint Qualification Certificate for the Foundation Apprenticeship in Engineering (GL7C 46). This is a group award at SCQF level 6 which comprises:

- **National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering (SCQF level 6)**
- **SVQ in Performing Engineering Operations (part of)**
 - Complying with statutory regulations and organisational safety requirements
 - Using and Interpreting Engineering Data and Documentation
 - Working efficiently and effectively in engineering
 - Option unit 1
 - Option unit 2

Am I eligible?

- Intending to leave school at the end of S6 with minimum of one or more Highers in relevant subject area.
- Achieved or working towards Higher Maths (A-C) by end of S6.
- Must have an interest in developing greater awareness of the industry with a potential desire to pursue as a career.
- Must be capable of working at level 6 (Higher) over S5 and S6.

Progression

There are several progression routes for a young person who completes a Foundation Apprenticeship in Civil Engineering:

- Gain accelerated entry into 2nd year of related Modern Apprenticeship.
- Explore options for related Graduate Apprenticeship.
- Direct employment within the engineering sector.
- Study at College or University.

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Attendance

- Location: City of Glasgow College, Riverside Campus
- Duration: ***Two years** (August-June)
- Attendance Year 1: Tuesday & Thursday (1:30pm-4:30pm) in College
Plus 3/4 weeks block attendance during June (Mon-Fri, 9:30am-4:30pm)
- Year 2: Tuesday & Thursday (9:30am-4:30pm) split between Work Placement and College
Plus 3/4 weeks block attendance during June (Mon-Fri, 9:30am-4:30pm)

* Pupils do not attend College/Work Placement during SQA exam schedule

How do I apply?

To apply for a Foundation Apprenticeship place, you should complete the online application form on www.fapglasgow.scot. You will be asked to indicate the subjects you are studying with anticipated grades across S4/S5/S6 together with a short personal statement on why you are interested in applying. A representative of your school will also be required to complete a short reference and verify your details before submission.

For further information:



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