

# WELCOME TO PLUMBING AT KIRKLEES COLLEGE

## WELCOME FROM THE CURRICULUM AREA MANAGER

“ Congratulations on receiving an offer of a place to study your T Level qualification within the Construction department. My name is Paul Whitaker and I am the Curriculum Area Manager for Plumbing. The building industry continues to grow and once again we have seen an increase in the number of students wishing to join us. All your lessons will take place at Brunel Construction Centre with a mix of practical and theory lessons. As part of your course, you will complete work placements to support your career opportunities once you are a fully qualified plumber. I look forward to seeing you in September. ”

Paul Whitaker



## T LEVEL COURSES IN THIS AREA

- Building Services Engineering for Construction: Plumbing and Heating Engineering

## WHERE WILL YOU BE STUDYING?

### BRUNEL CONSTRUCTION CENTRE

This centre is located off Leeds Road in Huddersfield and is dedicated to the construction trades. The study programme offers a mixture of theory in the classroom and practical in dedicated workshops. There is also a trade counter for students to visit to ensure they have the right materials for the job. The centre has an LRC and a refectory area.



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## WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

This exciting new T Level qualification has been co-designed with leading employers to help you gain the knowledge and skills needed to work in the building services industry.

At the start of your course, you will need a pair of steel toe cap boots that must be worn at all times in the workshops. All tools and building materials are supplied by the college.

On this course, you will cover topics that are relevant to the plumbing industry to prepare you for a future career in plumbing. While on your two-year course, you will learn about the how to install and maintain heating systems and commission heating systems, which ensure the equipment has been set up correctly and is working at maximum efficiency.

You'll gain an understanding on construction in general by learning about a number of issues that are relevant to the sector, such as health and safety when working with plumbing and heating systems, building regulations and standards and construction methods.

You will learn about these general construction processes in our dedicated learning area and learn the core content of this T Level with learners on our Building Services Engineering for Construction: Electrotechnical Engineering T Level course.

The course will also provide you with real-life practices to use in future roles, such as building design, surveying and planning, and the building technology principles which are standard practice in the construction industry.

The units on this course will also cover the design and planning of plumbing and heating systems and their components. This T Level also focuses on a wide range of green technologies that are emerging in the plumbing industry, you will also look at sustainability in the construction industry and how it will apply when working on plumbing and heating systems.

You will be studying in college two days a week and includes a mixture of blended learning which includes online work, your timetable will be confirmed before you start your studies.

### ASSESSMENT

This T Level is exam-based in your first year, so from September to June you will be preparing and learning to sit two core knowledge exam papers, which will be sat in June. You will also have an employer set project in your first year, which contains controlled assessments.

You'll also be assessed on occupational specialisms, which looks at what you're studying in your technical part of this qualification and how what you're learning in regards to your knowledge, skills and behaviours is relevant to an occupation.

### INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

On the course, you'll also undertake a minimum of 315 hours work in an industry placement. Your placement will start in the second year of your studies and it will be taken in a set block of weeks to give you the chance to get real experience in the plumbing industry. You will be supported in finding your placement. This is a mandatory aspect of the T Level where you will be required to work towards achieving set learning goals and complete the placement hours for a T Level certificate to be awarded.

## MEET ONE OF OUR SUBJECT TUTORS

“Hi, I'm Eddie, one of the Plumbing lecturers and a former student at Kirklees College. I worked as a domestic and commercial plumber until I was 27 when I decided I wanted a career change. After teaching on a weekend, I joined the college full time and have been a lecturer for five years now. I am excited to pass on my skills and knowledge to the next generation of plumbers and heating engineers joining us this year.”

Eddie Blackmore



# FINANCIAL SUPPORT



## We can support you with:

- Applying for bursaries if you're eligible
- Buying uniform and kits
- Free college meals
- Support with travel costs – you can apply for a travel pass before you start or collect a form from college



# STUDENT SUPPORT

## We have a wide range of support available including:

- Dedicated Progress Coach. Your Progress Coach will work with you on a 1:1 basis to support you with your progress, needs and goals.
- Additional learning support. This is available for learners with specialist educational needs and disabilities and is delivered in various forms according to an individual's assessed needs or provisions within an Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP.)
- Counselling service
- Careers advice

To find out more about our financial and student support, please scan the QR code



# CAREER PROGRESSION

After completing your course, you can progress to employment or an apprenticeship. This course is suitable for anyone wanting a career in construction, specifically in plumbing.

A number of major UK universities accept T Levels, and we will support our students in this progression route to university. T Levels students can also progress onto employment in the following roles:

- Plumber
- Heating Engineer
- Site Supervisor





# WELCOME DAYS

Come along to one of our welcome days to meet some of your classmates and tutors, ask any questions about your course and see what student life at Kirklees College has to offer. Look out for your invite in the post and remember to let us know if you're attending.



# OPEN DAYS

Our Open Days provide information about the facilities and support available at college, as well as offer parents / carers and applicants the opportunity to ask any questions about starting a course with us.

The dates for our Summer Open Days are:

## ALL DEWSBURY CENTRES

**WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE**

5PM – 7PM (last entry 6.30pm)

## ALL HUDDERSFIELD CENTRES

**THURSDAY 30 JUNE**

5PM – 7PM (last entry 6.30pm)

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**93%**

OF STUDENTS WOULD RECOMMEND KIRKLEES COLLEGE

**97%**

OF STUDENTS SAY THE COLLEGE IS WELCOMING FOR PEOPLE OF ALL BACKGROUNDS

**95%**

OF STUDENTS SAY THEIR COURSE ENCOURAGES THEM TO BE AN INDEPENDENT LEARNER

If you would like to speak to a tutor or have any questions about your course or application, please email [applications@kirkleescollege.ac.uk](mailto:applications@kirkleescollege.ac.uk)

Enrolment will be in August. More information will be sent out closer to the time.

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