

Next Steps @ TRGA

Your weekly Careers news!

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Next Steps @ TRGA is a weekly newsletter which aims to provide students at TRGA with useful careers information, advice and ideas for the future – stay tuned for more tips and information next week!

Career of the week

This week – Construction

What jobs could I do?

- Architect
- Electrician
- Site Manager
- Civil Engineer
- Joiner
- Pipe Fitter
- Drone Pilot
- Quantity Surveyor



What would I do?

Trade Work – Specialists in fields like Electrical Installation, Carpentry, Plumbing and Heating and Ventilation are all vitally important for building maintenance, whether public or private jobs!

Site Management – Construction sites are large workplaces with a huge number of staff working together to complete a successful building project. Because of this, job roles like Site Managers, Project Managers and Building Site Inspectors are key to ensure that everyone on the build is doing their job effectively.

Design and Project Work – Ensuring that a construction project runs on time and to a set budget is incredibly important and involves the work of numerous individuals, from Architects and Civil Engineers who design the structure, Quantity Surveyors who manage the cost of the build and Town Planners who look at how the building fits in with the layout of the local area.

What qualifications or skills do I need?

To work in the sector, the following pathways are available:

- College courses at Level 1, 2 or 3 are available at large FE colleges such as Leeds City College or specialist providers like Leeds College of Building, in trade-based courses such as Plumbing or design and management-related courses such as the L3 Diploma in Construction and the Built Environment.
- **Apprenticeships** are also a popular route into this industry, including higher and degree apprenticeships for roles like Quantity Surveying, Civil Engineering and Architecture!

Key Skills for the industry:

- Communicating effectively
- Problem solving
- Competent using IT
- Strong attention to detail
- Good with your hands
- Understanding instructions
- Working in teams
- Meeting deadlines

How much could I earn?

Salaries in the Construction industry can vary as there are such a wide range of roles and many individuals are self-employed but as an example, **Bricklayers** earn on average between **£15,000-£35,000** a year while experienced **Quantity Surveyors** can earn up to **£80,000** a year!

Where could I work?

- Building Sites
- Office Buildings
- Residential Areas
- Corporate Offices
- Mobile/Self-employed
- Workshops



Did you know?

This week, many Construction companies across the country are available to visit as part of Open Doors Week 2019!
<https://opendoors.construction/>

I want to know more about...

Got a job or career area you'd like to find out more about that we haven't featured in the newsletter?

Let us know by coming and speaking to **Mr. Webb** in the **Careers Room** (Room 203)!

Monday Morning inspiration:

"Dreaming, after all, is a form of planning."

Gloria Steinem

Need some support with your future plans?

Speak to your Careers Adviser!



You can find **Mr. Webb** in the Careers Room (203) on the 2nd floor at breaks or lunchtimes if you have any questions!

Email: careers@ruthgorse.leeds.sch.uk

Check out the link below for more info on careers in Construction:

<https://www.goconstruct.org/>

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-categories/construction-and-trades>

