

WINTER LEAVERS'
COURSES 2010



CONSTRUCTION

ENGINEERING

HAIRDRESSING

MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR

WHO IS IT FOR?

These courses are ideal for those Winter Leavers' who wish to go straight into full-time employment in January 2011, or for those who are as yet undecided about continuing in education. This course is for school pupils who have their 16th birthday between 1st October 2010 and 28th February 2011.

DOES APPLYING FOR THE COURSE MEAN LEAVING SCHOOL?

No - you will continue to be a school pupil and your school will still have overall responsibility for you. You will attend College four full days per week and the fifth day will be timetabled for you at your school's discretion. The College day lasts from 9.30am to 3.30pm.

WHEN DOES THE COURSE START?

A two week Introductory Course will run from Monday 14th June to Friday 2nd July 2010. If you successfully complete the Introductory Course you will be offered a place on the 16 week Winter Leavers' Course commencing Monday 30th August. The course will finish on Wednesday 22nd December, your official school leaving date in 2010.

WHERE WILL I STUDY?

Your course will be delivered at one of the three College Centres based at Gallowgate, Clinterty or Altens. Arrangements will be made by your school to transport you to the correct centre if it is over 3 miles from your home address.

WHAT WILL BE ACHIEVED?

By the end of the course you should achieve a nationally recognised qualification in the subject area you have chosen. You will also gain a variety of important life skills such as Employability and Citizenship.

HOW WILL I LEARN?

Your coursework will be delivered in a variety of ways, using all the facilities available at Aberdeen College. As well as gaining 'hands-on' practical experience in the College's workshops, you will do some classroom-based work and you will use the College IT facilities. You will be expected to show initiative, commitment to your own learning and be able to work as part of a team during group work sessions.

WHAT EQUIPMENT WILL I NEED?

The Motor Vehicle Repair, Construction and Engineering courses all require you to wear a boiler suit, safety boots and safety goggles. The Hairdressing course requires you to wear black full length trousers, black tunic (style to be confirmed by the College), and non-slip black shoes with fully enclosed toes and heels. You will not be allowed within workshops or salons without the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment listed. All pupils are also expected to take their own pens and paper to College every day.

WHAT HELP WILL I GET FROM SCHOOL?

Advice on Free School Meals, School Transport and sourcing the clothing and equipment required for College is available from your school Guidance Teacher. Your school will be informed of your absences on a daily basis, and will be provided with regular progress reports.

Hairdressing

Qualification: Skills for Work Hairdressing Intermediate 1

This course provides a broad introduction to hairdressing. The focus is on experiencing the salon environment to learn about the different roles and responsibilities in hairdressing and to begin to develop vocational skills and knowledge.

You will gain practical experience of general salon duties as well as learning the specific skills involved in shampooing, conditioning and blow-drying hair. The creative side of hairdressing is also explored, with candidates having the opportunity to experiment with style ideas. The Course content places emphasis throughout all units on the employability skills and attitudes which will help to prepare you for the workplace.

Successful completion of this course will give you the opportunity to apply for suitable employment or undertake further training.



WHICH COURSE. YOU DECIDE..

Motor Vehicle Repair

Qualification: City and Guilds Level 1 Progression Award in Vehicle Systems

The Automotive Maintenance Industry is a well established industry with a number of qualifications available including National Qualifications and SVQ's.

This course will give you a broad introduction to Automotive Maintenance which could result in gaining a recognised National Qualification. You will study various aspects of Vehicle Maintenance, Repair and Systems, including braking systems, wheels and tyres, spark ignition systems, body and interior cleaning, engine cooling and fuel and exhaust systems.

Successful completion of this course will give you the opportunity to apply for suitable employment or undertake further training.



Construction

Qualification: Skills for Work Construction Crafts Intermediate 1 or 2

This course will introduce you to a range of practical construction crafts and trades. You will learn a variety of skills in the trades-specific units, including Joinery, Brickwork, Plumbing and Painting and Decorating. You will also develop skills and attitudes that enhance your employability, not just in the construction industry, but in employment generally.

Successful completion of this course will offer you an opportunity to make better choices about your future career. By achieving this award and gaining the experience offered by undertaking the course, you will be able to apply for further training, or try for suitable employment through an apprenticeship.



Mechanical Skills

Qualification: SVQ Performing Engineering Operations Level 1

The Engineering Industry is well established in the area, in and around Aberdeen and has a number of qualifications available including:

- National Qualifications (NQ's) and Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQ's).

By completing this course you will be developing important skills which will help towards applying for your first engineering position knowing that you have practical ability, certificated by Emta Awards Ltd (EAL) in an engineering discipline. These skills can be developed further by undertaking more advanced training either in the workplace as an apprentice or at college as a full-time student.



All of these courses also require you to achieve a certain standard in Core Skills, including Mathematics, Reading, Writing and IT Skills. These areas will be incorporated into the courses and you will be required to undertake some classroom work.



HOW TO APPLY

Pupils should complete an application form which is available from school. Schools should then submit completed forms to:

Emma Masson
School Links Officer
Aberdeen College
Gallowgate Centre
Gallowgate
Aberdeen
AB25 1BN

For enquiries about applications please contact Emma Masson:

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(All courses will run subject to sufficient numbers being enrolled and available resources)

