

**Build your**

**FUTURE**

**Get a step ahead**

**Mini Prospectus**

**Career Guide**



**Dumfries  
and Galloway  
College**

# **Construction & the Built Environment**

**Take your first step.**





## Learn the skills that are always in demand by building your future in construction.

Follow your passion and get one step ahead towards an exciting hands-on industry with our construction courses.

With the latest technology and state-of-the-art equipment, our workshops will allow you to immerse yourself in the hands world of construction and the built environment.

**Start your journey today.**

**Our MISSION is to support the individual, social and economic development of the people, communities and businesses of Dumfries and Galloway by providing inclusive, accessible and relevant vocational and other learning opportunities in a positive and supportive environment.**

**Joanna Campbell** – Principal & CEO



**Gain the skills** you need to take you where you want to go.

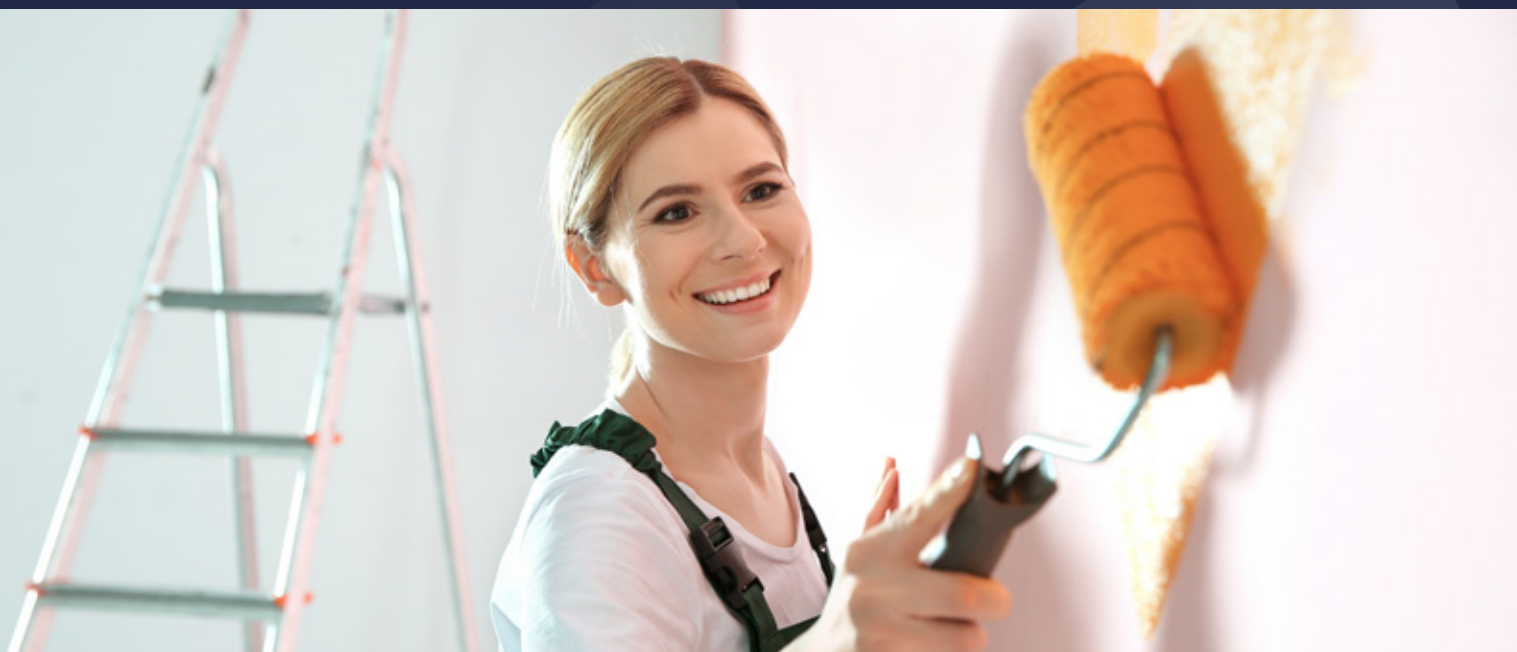
Whether you want to:

**build your future**

**change your career**

**learn something new**

We will provide you with the **tools to excel** with a **real skill-based route** into the **workplace** or a **positive destination** onto **further education**.



# Ways you can study with DGC ↓



## College Academy

Start your journey from school and you can shorten your education journey and potentially start full-time employment sooner in your chosen career pathway.



## Study options to suit everyone

From full-time, part-time or over just a few days, choose your course and way to study.



## Study locally

Helping you save on associated study costs such as travel, accommodation and more.



## Earn qualifications

At every stage of study, building your path to success.



## Access routes

To university and further your options with support at every step.



# College services and support ↓

As a student you have a number of services and facilities available to support and help you throughout your course at our campuses\*



**Library resources**



**Student support**



**Learning zones**



**Coffee and snack areas**



**Shop and refectory**



**Gym**



**Training workshops**



**Training Restaurant**



**Green Energy Centre & STEM Hub**



**Digital Care Hub**

\* Please note: gym, refectory, shop, green energy centre and digital care hub are exclusive to Dumfries campus.



**Stranraer Campus**



**Dumfries Campus**

From **student advisors** to **funding teams**, our aim is to provide you with a quality service so that you will have a **range of skills, support and the knowledge** required to successfully complete your course.



**For further info on all our student services, check out our portal**

# From being self-employed, working for a local company, creating new build homes or working for a big business, construction could be the career for you.

The construction industry creates and develops buildings and structures. As the job market is expanding, we can give you the chance to earn a qualification filled with knowledge and skills to prosper in this trade.

Focusing on improving and maintaining the world we live in; construction can help you understand the process and expand our society.

With the profession taking you anywhere, you could be fixing your own home to working overseas.



# Did you know ↓

With an expanding and thriving job market, you can use the skills learned with the college to become highly employable in many different areas of construction including sustainability, brick laying and health and safety.

## Study with us to enjoy:



### Access to world class learning facilities

Our construction workshops give you the experience and skills in a safe and welcoming environment.



### Real-world skills

Our courses are designed to put your skills into practice, gaining that first step into a new career.



### Support from highly-trained staff

Our lecturing and professional construction staff will help you learn the academic theory and the practical skills you need to get ahead and succeed.



### Have job security

As the population keeps growing and construction work has increased, older buildings that need restoring, or replaced and new and exciting sustainable projects are bringing in new job roles.



### A route to a viable career

With a qualification in construction you could go self-employed, work for a big corporation, work for a local company and beyond.

# Where construction could take you ↓

## Career Options

As more than 1 in 3 college leavers go on to find employment\*, a qualification could lead to the following careers:

### Carpenters/Joiners

Provide services that construct, repair and fit woodworking projects. Confidently being able to use tools Carpenters/Joiners must have the knowledge of construction and regulations to execute the client's requirements. Using their own initiative and expertise in their crafts, they must have a good knowledge of mathematics to correctly assemble structures. Likely to be employed but can be self-employed.

### Painters and Decorators

Can bring high quality finishes of outside and inside surfaces bringing them to life. Knowledge of different products that can cover, fill and carry out the needs of the consumer to a premium standard. Painters and Decorators pay close attention to detail and have good communication skills that can work well with businesses and clients. Can be employed or self-employed working within different businesses or homes.

### Quantity Surveyor

Oversee, prepare and estimate costs of construction projects. Using knowledge of construction, building, health and safety Quantity Surveyors will be able to see risks and confidently give clients their informed and well researched opinions of the project. They are often heavily involved from start to finish. Most likely to be employed, often working on-site or in an office.

\*based on SFC College Leaver Destinations report 19-20



The above is just a small section of the many careers available in the industry. Salaries can vary greatly, ranging from £17,000 to £50,000+ depending on what's required in the role and employers outlined job spec.



## Onward Study

As more than 1 in 3 college students who graduate with an HNC or above go on to university study\*, a qualification could lead you to some of the following possible degree options:

- Degree in Civil and Construction Engineering
- Degree in Construction Management
- Degree in Quantity Surveying

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If you are thinking about progressing to onward study, check with your chosen university for requirements before applying with UCAS. Each place will have specific entry criteria and availability.



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“ The best part of the plumbing course is the practical aspect. We had fantastic lecturers who taught us along the way and constantly giving encouragement and praise.

**Tina Pyster** - Plumbing Student.




# Get a step ahead. choose your course ↓

We provide a first-class further education, offering a large range of courses and qualifications available for students at any life stage that are delivered by teaching and support staff who genuinely care about what they do.

We have a route to suit every level and mode of study, allowing you to build your future, to change your career, or prepare for a better tomorrow, helping you get one step ahead.

If you are unsure of which course is best to apply for, or how to apply – don't forget we have a very knowledgeable and helpful Admissions team here at the college ready to help you.



**Check out all  
our courses  
here!**

➤ [admissions@dumgal.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@dumgal.ac.uk)



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// Don't wait for the right  
opportunity. **Create it.**  
George Bernard Shaw ✨ //  
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# Quick guide to applying ↓

## 1. Search for your course

Search our courses at [www.dumgal.ac.uk](http://www.dumgal.ac.uk) or click the link.

## 2. Apply online

Once you find the course that's right for you, hit the apply now button. Courses fill up fast.



Our full-time courses start in August.

Check online for start dates for other courses or study at a time that suits you with open learning.

If you need help applying, you can check out our handy application guide [here](#)

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One step ahead



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