

# Bricklaying

**Colchester Institute**  
Sheepen Road, Colchester

**City & Guilds - Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills (Bricklaying)**  
**Thursday and Friday 9.00am – 4.00pm**

Colchester Institute is offering the opportunity to gain the necessary skills, knowledge and confidence to start a career in bricklaying. The Level 1 course is designed to offer a flexible learning environment; with enthusiastic bricklaying instructors who will support your individual needs and enable you to achieve set goals.

Training areas are set up so that anyone, from complete novice to those needing a refresher, can maximise their potential to lay bricks to the required standard, on construction sites or domestic projects.



## Basic hand skills and practical tasks include:

- Introduction to bricklaying tools and equipment
- Loading and setting out materials
- Gauged mortar mixing
- Basic trowel techniques
- Laying mortar joints
- Laying bricks and blocks to a line
- Constructing corners — gauge, level and plumb
- Various jointing, finishing and techniques

## On completion of the necessary basic training, the following units can be undertaken to achieve the Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills (Bricklaying)

- Introduction to Health and Safety in construction
- Constructing half brick walling
- Constructing block walling
- Constructing cavity walls in brickwork and blockwork
- Constructing one-brick walling



## Construction site readiness training

On completion of all Level 1 units your instructor will arrange training exercises to develop your bricklaying skills and confidence, in readiness for working in the construction industry. Exercises include:

- Setting up corner profiles
- Speed and accuracy training
- Forming openings in cavity walling
- Constructing gable walling (raking cutbrick and block)

## Opportunity to gain CSCS Card

Undertaking the CSCS Green Card alongside the City & Guilds qualification can help you gain opportunities on site as a labourer, to further develop your bricklaying skills.



## Course fee: £525

Fee exemptions are available, subject to meeting the criteria

## Course enquiries

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