

Welcome

Welcome to Colchester Institute's

Plumbing

Department

Better Careers Begin Here

Why choose Plumbing?

- **Great opportunities within the plumbing trade.**
- **Busy and growing construction sector leading to employment.**
- **State of the art college workshops and learning environments.**
- **Industry standard training and assessment.**
- **Excellent links to industry and work placements.**
- **Highly trained staff with many years Plumbing expertise and experience.**

Qualifications

How do our plumbing qualifications work?

Level 1 - You will begin your plumbing journey with a city and guilds diploma in plumbing. This is a 1 year course consisting of 50% Theory and 50% Practical learning on Campus. This course covers the most aspects of plumbing from basic systems to pipework fabrication techniques.

Level 2 - If you apply yourself to the level 1 course you will be invited back to study level 2. You will look with more detail into plumbing systems, processes and practical assessments such as Bathroom, Boiler and Hot water installations. Ending in an theory exam and assessed practical task.

Employment

How does this lead to employment?

If you are lucky enough to find yourself an apprenticeship in plumbing before enrolling on the full time course please contact the Apprenticeship team who will aid you in the enrolment process to study the 4 year apprenticeship route at Colchester institute.

<https://www.colchester.ac.uk/apprenticeships/>

If you prefer the full time route or haven't found an apprenticeship yet then after studying level 1 and 2 diploma here at the college Its time to get out into industry, find some work and continue your journey by studying a further 2 years with us to convert your diploma into an NVQ.

The staff here are all more than happy to help you with this.

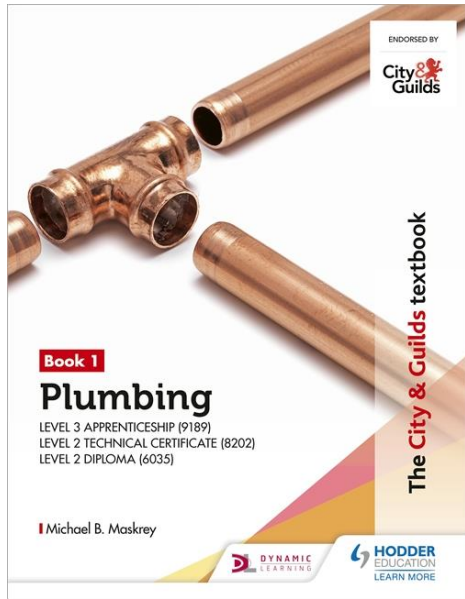
Entry Requirements

What are the entry requirements for Plumbing?

You will require at least a **Grade 4** in both English and maths to study with us.

Hopefully you will be predicted these grades enabling you to apply for the plumbing course.

What kit do I need?



- The City and guilds Plumbing book 1 is an integral part of the
- Course and must be purchased to enable you to complete work
- And revision set by your tutors.

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You will also require
Steel toe capped boots
AND a pair of work
trousers for practical
workshop sessions



A notepad, pen
and pencil is
the minimum
stationary
requirements

FAQs

Q, What's my next step after completing the course?

A, You need to find employment and complete an apprenticeship in order to become a qualified plumber.

Q, Do I have to attend college all week?

A, No. But this will depend on current Covid-19 restrictions. You may be in college for a maximum of 3 days a week or just 1 day of practical a week with Online Lessons.

Q, When I complete level 2 will I be a full time plumber?

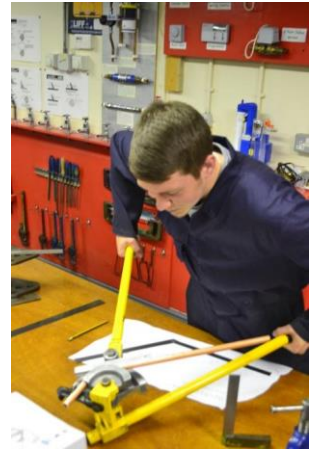
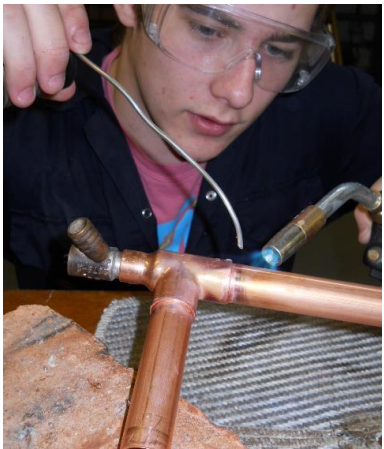
A, No, You must gain employment and an apprenticeship to finish your studies and become fully qualified.

Q, How much money can I earn as a plumber?

A, Depending on qualifications and experience the sky is the limit! From simple maintenance plumbers on £25K+ pa, Gas engineers on £40K+ pa and self employed plumbers and business owners earning much more!

Sign me up!

From all of us on the plumbing team we wish you all the best in your application and look forward to meeting you during the interview process.



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