



## Advanced Apprenticeship in Agriculture - Crop Production

This programme covers a range of Crop Production skills and related practices. The objectives of the course are to ensure the development of practical skills, related background knowledge including health and safety issues and procedures. It is suitable for those seeking or employed in a more senior or supervisory role within the industry.

### Programme Length

Work-based delivery over a minimum\* of 22 months, dependent on initial assessment. One day per fortnight college attendance.

\*Minimum durations apply for 16 – 18 year old. 19 + learners can apply for accredited prior learning which may reduce the duration. Funding rules dictate a minimum of 12 months duration.

### Venue

Work Based blended delivery programme consisting predominantly of on-site training and assessment within the workplace, supported by college attendance 1 day per fortnight, this will count towards the 20% off the job training requirement. Course teaching, learning and assessment is enhanced through the effective use of e portfolio and distance learning resources to ensure flexible delivery is responsive to learner, employer and situational needs.

### Entry Criteria

Entry onto the apprenticeship is subject to a thorough initial assessment to clarify course appropriateness. Entrants must have the ability to achieve Level 2 Functional Skills in English and Mathematics and be able to cope with the Level 3 vocational qualification. Apprentices must have a contract of employment working for a minimum for 30 hours/week.

### Programme Structure

The Apprenticeship is made up of a number of different nationally recognised qualifications:

#### **Combined Competence and Knowledge Qualification:**

Level 3 Workbased Diploma In Agriculture, Crop Production

#### **Functional Skills:**

Level 2 English

Level 2 Mathematics

#### **Employee Rights and Responsibilities**

Delivered and assessed through a workbook

#### **Personal Learning and Thinking Skills**

Assessment and recognition through a Record of Achievement

### Progression:

Apprentices successfully completing the Advanced Apprenticeship have opportunities to progress within the industry by continuing onto the Level 4 Higher Apprenticeship or into Higher Education course such as Foundation Degree or Degree.

### Possible Careers/jobs

Typical jobs apprentices will be able to progress onto on completion of the Advanced will depend on the qualifications and experience gained, but could include a range of roles within agriculture such as agricultural machinery operative.

### How to apply

To apply for this course, complete a Apprenticeship and Skills Application Form. You can either contract the Employer Services Team or download one from the website. Return the completed application form to:

Employer Services, Myerscough College, Bilsborrow, Preston, PR3 0RY

Or email the completed electronic form to [employerenquiries@myerscough.ac.uk](mailto:employerenquiries@myerscough.ac.uk)

Telephone: 01995 642255 Website: [www.myerscough.ac.uk](http://www.myerscough.ac.uk)



# City and Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Workbased Agriculture—Crop Production

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A minimum of 57 credits are required for this qualification	
Mandatory Units	Credit Value
Promote, monitor and maintain health, safety and security	6
Communicate information within the workplace	2
Maintain and store records within the workplace	2
Prepare, monitor and cultivate sites for planting crops	6
Identify, monitor and maintain the healthy growth of crops	10
Plan the preparation and use of tractors and attachments	6
Examples of Optional units – A minimum of 25 credits required	Credit Value
Identify, monitor and control unwanted vegetation	6
Prepare for planting and plant crops	4
Monitor and maintain harvesting operations	4
Prepare harvested crops for sale or storage	3
Prepare for storage and monitor the condition of stored crops	3
Manage the production of special novel crops	4
Establish, monitor and maintain site hygiene and bio-security	4
Prepare and operate a power vehicle (excluding tractors)	4
Transport physical resources within the work area	2
Plan and maintain supplies of physical resources within the work area	3
Prepare and maintain equipment and machines	3
Prepare and construct new structures and surfaces	5
Safe use and application of pesticide	3
Identify the need for and plan habitat management work	4
Co-ordinate and oversee habitat management work	4
Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of habitat management work	4
Promote responsible public use of the environment	4
Organise the delivery of reliable customer service	6
Improve customer relationship	7
Monitor and solve customer service problems	6
Prepare to undertake a field study	2
Manage your own resources	7
Improve customer service	7
Monitor and solve customer problems	6
Implement a marketing plan	4
Manage budgets	5