



HORTICULTURE - PRODUCTION LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

Level:	Advanced Apprenticeship (Level 3)
Typical Duration:	12 Months
Delivery Model:	Work-based
Delivery Location:	North West Only
Start Date:	Throughout the year



Introduction to the Programme

This programme is suitable for those employed in a supervisory capacity within the sector, seeking to progress to a higher level of qualification.



Duration

This apprenticeship will typically take 12 months to complete. The length may be altered if the apprentice has already gained knowledge and skills working in the land-based engineering sector.



Entry requirements

Employers set the selection criteria for their apprentices. Typically, this will include a minimum of 5 GCSE's at Grade 9-4, or equivalent, including English and Maths. Apprentices without level 2 Functional Skills will need to achieve this level as part of their apprenticeship.

In addition, it is desirable that the apprentice has a basic understanding of Information and Communication Technology.



Costs

Costs will be dependent on several factors such as age of apprentice and size of employer. The cost may be altered if the apprentice has already gained knowledge and skills working in the land-based engineering sector. Please contact us for more information.



Delivery Location

Delivery is work-based using blended learning technologies on the employer's premises. There is an expectation that 20% of the working week will be off the job training, which is a legal requirement.



Topics Covered

Throughout the programme, apprentices will work towards learning a selection of the following units:

- Mandatory Units –
 - Promote, monitor and maintain health, safety and security of the workplace (6 credits)
 - Estimate and programme resource requirements (4 credits)
 - Manage your own resources (7 credits)
 - Provide nutrients to plants or crops (6 credits)
 - Monitor the development of crops or plants (4 credits)
 - Plan and manage the control of pests, diseases and disorders (5 credits)
- Examples of optional units (minimum of 25 credits) –
 - Maintain irrigation systems (3 credits)
 - Plan and maintain planted areas (3 credits)
 - Monitor and adjust watering systems for crops or plants (5 credits)
 - Manage site clearance and preparation for planting (6 credits)
 - Prepare for and maintain the planting of crops or plants (6 credits)
 - Promote and monitor the growth of crops or plants (4 credits)
 - Plan and prepare growing media (6 credits)
 - Plan and collect propagation material (5 credits)
 - Plan and implement seed propagation (7 credits)
 - Plan and monitor harvesting operations (6 credits)
 - Plan and manage the collection of orders (8 credits)



Assessment

You will be assessed throughout the programme. These grades will be aggregated into one overall qualification. The grading applies to the overall qualification and all elements must be passed to achieve the qualification



Progression

Apprentices successfully completing the Advanced Apprenticeship have opportunities to progress within the industry by continuing onto into Higher Education.



Typical jobs apprentices will be able to progress onto on completion of the advanced apprenticeship will depend on the qualifications and experience gained, but could include a range of roles within production horticulture at a supervisory level.



How to apply

In order to start the enrolment process we need an **Online Application Form** to be completed & submitted. You can do this by contacting the Employer Services Team.

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Website: www.myerscough.ac.uk