



Plant the
seed for
your career

The Guernsey Apprenticeship offers you the opportunity to earn a salary and gain a nationally recognised technical, professional or vocational qualification in a job you love. You will need to have secured employment before applying or look at the 'Apprenticeship Vacancies' on our website.





What we offer

These courses are available to employees currently working in horticulture, landscaping, production horticulture, sports turf or park and gardens.

The courses are for those of you who are starting out and wishing to gain a good basic understanding of horticulture or for those who already have some knowledge of the industry. You will learn, develop and practice the skills required for progression in the sector, with the opportunity to move on to further study.



Course duration

The recommended time for completion of a course is 2 years.
You will attend College for one day a week for off-the-job training.



Qualifications gained

- City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Work-based Horticulture
- Certificate of Apprenticeship



Campus

Off-the-job learning will take place at Les Ozouets Campus, Guernsey College of Further Education and Delancey Community Garden.



Course breakdown

You can choose from a number of different course routes depending on your chosen profession, please see some examples below:

Level 2 Diploma in Work-based Horticulture

Core units:

- Monitoring and maintaining health and safety
- Maintain and develop personal performance
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships
- Preparing ground for seeding and planting
- Establishing plants and/or seeds in soil
- Use and maintain non-powered and hand held powered tools and equipment

Horticulture route example units:

- Plant nomenclature, terminology and identification
- Identify the health and maintain the condition of turf
- Maintain the appearance of decorative areas
- Propagate plants from seed

Sports Turf - Groundsperson route example units:

- Maintain the health of sports turf
- Maintain the condition of sports turf surfaces
- Renovate and repair sports surfaces
- Use and maintain pedestrian controlled powered equipment
- Use and maintain ride-on powered equipment
- Prepare and operate a tractor with attachments

or

Production Horticulture route example units:

- Monitoring and maintaining health and safety
- Maintain and develop personal performance
- Establish and maintain effective working relationship with others
- Establishing crops or plants in growing medium
- Monitor and report on the growth and development of crops and plants
- Carry out harvesting operations
- Identify and report the presence of pests, diseases and disorders
- Maintain moisture levels for crops or plants
- Provide nutrients to crops or plants
- Remove unwanted plant growth to maintain development

You can choose from other course units if more relevant to the professional area.





Assessment methods

You will be assessed throughout the duration of the apprenticeship through an online portfolio of evidence. This will include:

- Practical observations and witness testimonies
- Written assignments and questions
- Professional discussions using video, audio and mobile technology



The onward journey

After completing your Level 2 apprenticeship, you will be able to apply for a Level 3 course.

This apprenticeship will also prepare you for roles such as an agricultural or horticulture technician, garden centre worker or manager, gardener, garden designer, greenkeeper, grounds person, landscaper or landscape manager.





Who can apply?

Apprenticeships are available to all.

Candidates demonstrating real passion and motivation for the subject will be assessed for suitability using a range of online tests with support and guidance offered where necessary.

If you have not achieved maths or English at D/3/Level 1, you will study these subjects to support progression and achievement of your chosen apprenticeship. Failure to complete maths and English will prevent progression between apprenticeship levels or achieving your overall apprenticeship.



Student support

The College's Learner Support Services are available to provide support and help to make a success of your apprenticeship journey.

The College also works in partnership with Careers Guernsey whose advisors can support you in helping to choose the right next step for you and your future plans. They can support you in preparing for apprenticeship job interviews and any applications you may make. Please visit their website for more information at careers.gg.



Get in touch

Check out our website and social media channels for up-to-date information on the courses we offer, qualifications required and how to apply.



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