**LEVEL 4**

**Level 4 Higher National Certificate Diploma in Construction**

The Higher National qualifications provide practical skills and theoretical knowledge that meet the needs of employers and focuses on the key knowledge and skills required by a technician employed in a construction management role. It will cover management principles and include a specialist core that embraces the management of construction organisations and human resources, together with basic construction planning and elements of site administration.

**Who is this course for?**

This course is aimed at students over the age of 18 and is designed to support young people who want to embark on or continue with a career within the construction industry.  Those individuals who wish to pursue a professional career at Higher Technician level within the Construction Industry and covers many construction career pathways but specifically in Architectural Technology and Construction Management.

**What are the entry requirements for the course?**

The candidates must preferably be working in an appropriate sector of the Construction Industry at the time of application. All candidates will be interviewed to assess their suitability for the programme, but it is expected that as a minimum they would have one or more of the following qualifications:

* A Level (DDE )
* BTEC National Diploma (Merit, Pass, Pass)
* Access to HE qualifications with 15 Merits and 30 Passes
* Equivalent Level 3 Qualification worth 64 UCAS points
* All Level 3 Qualifications must include a Science subject
* Applicants must hold 5 GCSEs A-C including Maths and English
* Advanced Craft Qualifications (L3) in a Building Trade – Experienced entrants with at least five years of post-qualification responsible experience within the Industry and an undertaking to complete additional “Supporting Studies” during the programme; and
* Advanced Craft Qualifications in the Building Trades – Inexperienced candidates with under five years of post-qualification responsible experience will be considered with an approved Technician “Top-up” course and an undertaking to complete additional “Supporting Studies” during the programme. If the “Top-up” is in the form of a Subsidiary Diploma a D Profile is required.

**What will I study on this course?**

The following units will form the matrix for the HNC (Diploma):

* Construction Technology and Materials
* Legal and Economic context in the Built Environment
* Building Services and Environmental Science
* Construction Technology and Structures
* Surveying and Setting Out; Architectural Design & Technology
* Building Pathology
* Project
* Supporting Studies – Please note that this is a Tailored Support Programme for the various differing entry criteria and has zero credit.

**What Qualification will I gain?**

HNC Diploma in Construction (Edexcel certificated under licence).

**How is the course assessed?**

Assessment is varied and will differ from unit to unit but will contain some of the following elements: Formal examination/ MCT, Formative coursework, Project work, Multiple choice tests, Field work, Personal Inspector Report and Presentation and Project Portfolio.

**How long is this course and what is the timeframe?**

The programme will be a minimum of two years duration on a Day Release and Evening Class basis commencing September/October 2021 from 8.30am to 5.30pm (day in College to be advised). Candidates will need approval and support from their employers to attend on the relevant day.

Applications open:      April 2021

Interviews:                   May and June 2021

Start work:                   August 2021

Course begins:            September 2021

**What does this course lead on to?**

Successful completion of the HNC (Diploma) will give exemption from the first year of the following Degree Programmes and entry onto year 2 of the BSc (Hons) Construction Management.

Students may, if they wish, claim the HNC Diploma and graduate at the end of the programme, should they choose to take a break from their studies and re-join the Degree programmes at a later date. All the Degrees are studied at Highlands College in collaboration with London South Bank University. The degree is accredited by The Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB).

This course is a highly valued qualification that provides you with the practical and theoretical tools you need to work in the construction industry.

**Interested?**

To apply Click Here for the application form.