



Architecture and Construction Career Cluster

The Architecture and Construction career cluster focuses on designing, planning, managing, building, and maintaining the built environment. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from architect, carpenter, and construction manager to electrician, plumber, and heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration technician.

Statewide Program of Study: Carpentry

The Carpentry program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities related to constructing, installing, and repairing structures and fixtures made of wood (including frameworks, partitions, joists, studding, rafters, and stairways). The program of study includes installing, dismantling, or moving machinery and heavy equipment according to layout plans, blueprints, or other drawings.



Secondary Courses for High School Credit

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| Level 1 | • Principles of Construction |
| Level 2 | • Construction Technology I |
| Level 3 | • Construction Technology II |
| Level 4 | • Practicum in Construction Technology |

Aligned Advanced Academic Courses

Dual Credit	Dual credit offerings will vary by local education agency.
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Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Work-Based Learning Activities

- Intern with a carpenter to practice skills such as measuring materials and assembling structures
- Participate in a pre-apprenticeship that includes activities like installing cabinets, drywall, and siding

Expanded Learning Opportunities

- Shadow a construction manager to learn more about how construction teams work together to complete projects
- Participate in SkillsUSA

Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- NCCER Core I
- NCCER Carpentry I

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Example Postsecondary Opportunities

Apprenticeships

- Carpenter

Associate Degrees

- Construction Management
- Construction Engineering Technology
- Building Construction Technology

Bachelor's Degrees

- Construction Engineering
- Construction Science
- Construction Site Management

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Construction Engineering Technology
- Construction Engineering
- Construction Management
- Project Management



Example Aligned Occupations

Carpenters

Median Wage: \$47,719
Annual Openings: 4,442
10-Year Growth: 15%

Construction and Building Inspectors

Median Wage: \$61,505
Annual Openings: 1,812
10-Year Growth: 9%

Construction Managers

Median Wage: \$98,294
Annual Openings: 5,403
10-Year Growth: 24%

Data Source: TexasWages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024.



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