



## Electro-technical Advanced Apprenticeship (NVQ Level 3)

**Overview** Apprenticeships are high quality, work-based training programmes for young people who want to develop their careers while working for an employer. Apprentices must be aged 16 or over, be in employment, working more than 16 hours per week, and not taking part in full-time education.

Employers who take on Apprentices value the practical nature of the training which is directly relevant to improving performance in their business. The approach encourages dedication to work and keenness to learn. Macclesfield College staff work with employers to support them and the Apprentices during the training period. Entry requirements are flexible because Apprenticeships are not just based on academic achievement.

**Who is it for?** Apprentices must be employed in the electrical contracting industry. They should have a reasonable standard of numeracy and literacy, together with a desire to complete the course and become an electrician. Candidates should be adaptable and willing to undertake practical training.

**Outcome** Apprentices will gain an industry-based qualification which is recognised worldwide. This will help them in their employment and future careers.

**Content** The course follows the City & Guilds 2356 syllabus and consists of 8 units. These are structured to provide the evidence that the candidate is competent in the different areas of work in the contracting industry. The Apprenticeship includes the City & Guilds 2330 technical certificate, which may also be used as the underpinning knowledge for the City & Guilds 2356 or NVQ Level 3 in Electro-technical Technology.

**Assessment** Assessment is based on successful practical demonstration of competence in the college workshop, which is observed over a period of time by a college assessor. Theory exams are assessed using the GOLLA on-line system. Successful completion of all components will result in a framework certificate and the JIB grade card.

**Entry Requirements** Apprentices should be in a workplace where evidence of competence can be obtained.

**Duration** The course takes three years in total: 2 years for the NVQ Level 2 and a further year for NVQ Level 3. Each year includes 250 guided learning hours for the full Level 3 qualification.

**Career Opportunities** There are many opportunities for qualified electricians both in industry and in self-employment.

**Awarding Body** SEMTA

**Follow up courses** There are opportunities to progress to the Electrician, Advanced Electrician Progression and Technician levels.