

This Foundation Apprenticeship course is taught by an outside provider, and involves both practical and theory skills. This group award aims to offer learners the opportunity to develop a range of skills and knowledge in relation to the Automotive Industry. Through completion of this award, learners will develop Core Skills which will enhance their employability prospects.

All learners will benefit from the transferable employability skills developed in this course, regardless of which career they choose to follow.

FOUNDATION APPRENTICESHIP IN AUTOMOTIVE Level 4

Details of Course Components

The FA in Automotive course has been designed to provide an introduction to the automotive industry and a progression route into further education or for moving directly into training or employment within the automotive industry. The overall purpose of the course is to ensure that learners develop practical skills, knowledge and understanding and employability skills needed within the automotive industry as well as developing generic transferable employability skills.

The automotive industry includes the following:

- light vehicle maintenance and repair
- heavy vehicle maintenance and repair
- heavy vehicle trailer maintenance and repair
- bus and coach maintenance and repair
- motorcycle maintenance and repair
- lift truck maintenance and repair
- vehicle fitting
- auto electrical
- accident repair — body
- accident repair — paint operations
- body building
- parts distribution
- roadside assistance

This course fills an identified need in the automotive sector for an introductory course for school learners which supports progression into appropriate further education or work based learning. The course provides the basis for learners to gain an insight into the automotive industry, the occupations within it and the skills and knowledge required. Learners studying this course may be aiming to progress into an apprenticeship in the automotive industry or undertake vocational courses at further education colleges.

There are opportunities throughout the award for learners to:

develop employability and behavioural skills
become waste aware
learn about health and safety
learn about sustainability in construction

ASSESSMENT

All Assessments for this course are internally completed and moderated by SQA.



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Staff: Outside Providers

Skills for Work Courses are designed to help learners to develop:

- skills and knowledge in a broad vocational area
- skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work
- Core Skills
- an understanding of the workplace
- positive attitudes to learning
- skills and attitudes for employability

A key feature of these courses is the emphasis on *experiential learning*. This means learning through practical experience and learning by reflecting on experience.

Learning through practical experience

Teaching/learning programmes will include the following:

- Learning in real or simulated work-place settings
- learning through role play activities in vocational contexts
- carrying out case study work
- planning and carrying out practical tasks and assignments

Learning through reflecting at all stages of the experience

Teaching/learning programmes will include the following:

- preparing and planning for the experience
- taking stock throughout the experience, reviewing and adapting as necessary
- reflecting after the activity has been completed, evaluating and identifying learning points

Useful websites to help you with your choices:

www.myworldofwork.co.uk
www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Further advice and information on these options is available from your Ms Bisset, guidance teacher and careers adviser.