

# Chance to earn while you learn

**F**ANCY the best of both worlds? Then why not consider an apprenticeship? You will be guaranteed top quality training which will enable you to gain skills, knowledge and nationally recognised qualifications whilst working and bringing in a wage.

What's more, there are more than 180 apprenticeships spanning over 80 industry sectors available. So there is bound to be the perfect apprenticeship for you.

Apprenticeships can last between one and five years, so they are capable of mapping out your career for some time. You might have to be prepared to commit yourself to work and study long-term therefore.

All apprenticeships include a National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) at either Level One, Two or Three. They also include Key Skills qualifications (such as working with others, problem solving and communication), a technical certificate such as a BTEC or City & Guilds, or other qualifications relevant to your chosen occupation.

Apprenticeships can also be a stepping stone to higher education courses such as Higher National Diplomas, Foundation degrees and other degrees.

Foundation Modern Apprenticeships (FMAs) are mainly open to those under the age of 18. They offer on the job training, and typically involve day or block release training at a college.

FMAs work towards NVQ Levels 2 to 3, and take up to two years to complete.

Importantly, you will get at least £50 per week training allowance or wage.

Offered in many career areas such as accountancy, engineering, construction, sport or catering, FMAs can lead to a Modern Apprenticeship or other

employment. Modern Apprenticeships (MAs) work in the same way, but aim at NVQ Levels 3 or 4. They take three to four years to complete, and usually have entry qualifications of four to five GCSEs at Grade C or above to include English and/or Maths or their equivalent.

After you finish your MA, you can apply for a Higher National Certificate HND or even a Degree, if you wish to expand your knowledge further still.

For further information on training and apprenticeship programmes in Wales, visit [www.careerswales.com](http://www.careerswales.com).

Skill Build is another option you might want to consider. It involves short course of at least 13 weeks, designed to give you the chance to try out a range of work whilst enjoying a weekly training allowance of at least £50.

Training is also aimed at helping you with any Key Skills needs you may have, as well as helping you to improve your job search skills.

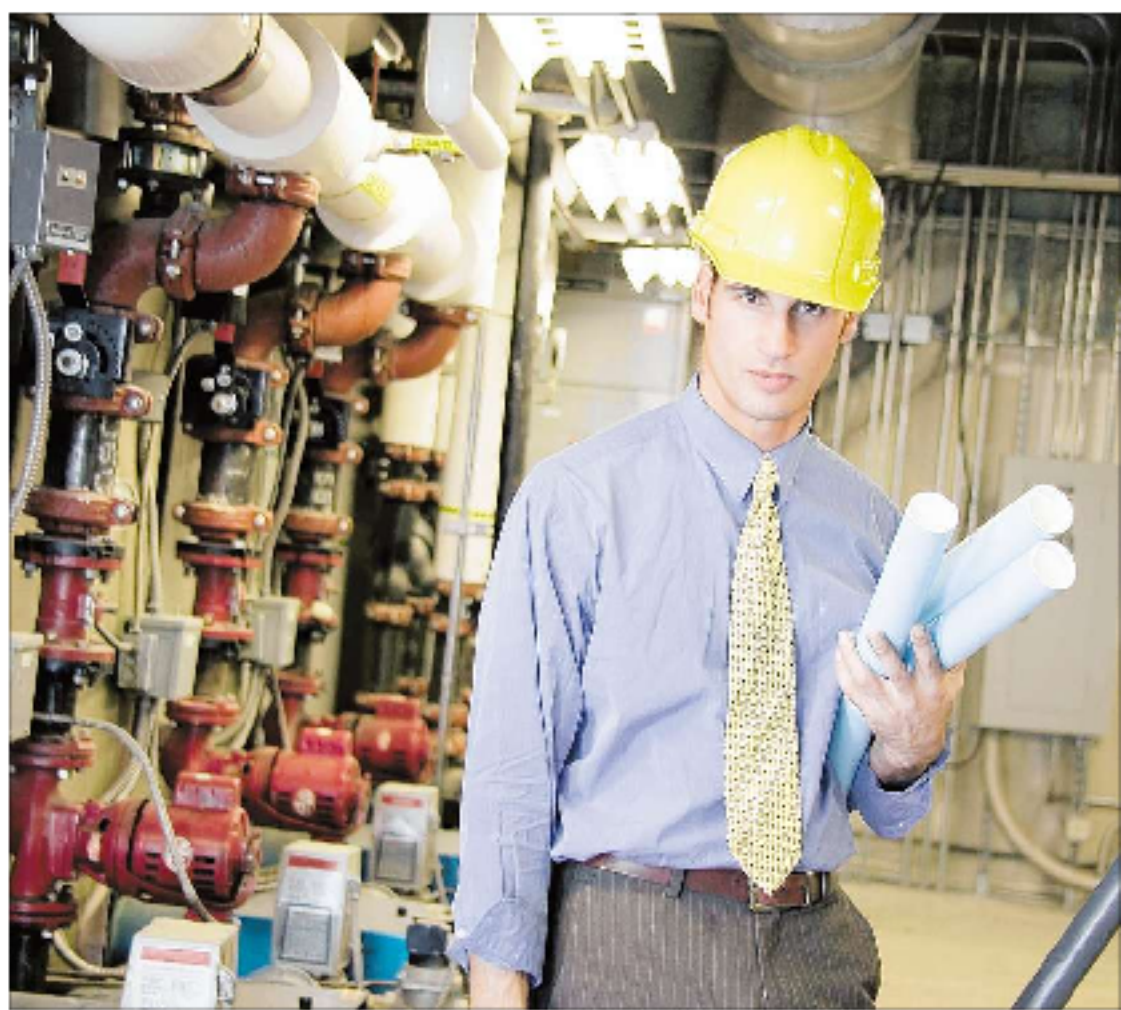
What's more, by the end of the training period, you could end up with an NVQ Level 1 qualification and even a job.

Further training may enable you to go on to get a FMA or a MA, too.

Many companies and organisations, such as the army, offer on the job training for school leavers.

Speak to your careers adviser for more information, or approach the human resources department of companies that interest you to discover the opportunities that exist.

If you are too shy to approach them yourselves, ask your teachers or a responsible family member to make the first moves for you. However, the more you can be seen to be doing for yourself, the better you will come across.



Apprenticeships are offered in many career areas such as engineering, accountancy and catering

**Coleg Llandrillo**

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**Last Minute Places**

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**Call in or call 01492 542 338/9 now to secure your place.**

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