

Introduction to Woodland Skills and Rural Estate Maintenance

Ayrshire College

Venues

Kilmarnock Campus

Content

This course is highly specialised, very physical and - due to the potentially hazardous nature of the work - extremely disciplined, so you'll need to be able to follow instructions easily.

The course includes: carrying out a full risk assessment; cross-cutting, felling and pruning; how to use and maintain your key piece of equipment; how to cross-cut trees at ground level; felling coniferous and broadleaved trees; pruning trees using pole mounted, long reach pruning equipment.

You'll meet at Craigengillan Estate, Dalmellington, two days per week. For those travelling by public transport or not wishing to drive into the estate, we offer a shuttle bus from the town. You'll spend most of the days in a forest environment, at Craigengillan Estate outside Dalmellington. (We provide all the Personal and Protective Equipment to bursary funded students).

The third day is classroom based, improving your employability skills through developing your core skills.

Start Date

August

Qualification

Other

Study Method

Full time

Course Length

1 year

Department

Horticulture

Entry Requirements

4 subjects at National 5, or relevant national qualifications at SCQF Level 5. Entry subject to interview.

You must be 17 years or over, capable of working in an outdoor environment and be able to demonstrate an awareness of a

health and safety culture.

SCQF Level

5

SCQF Points

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Progression Routes

Employment with a Land Based Employer.

Combination Courses

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