

Train For a Career in Carpentry and Building Trades

This program will prepare you for entry into all carpentry fields, from residential home construction to commercial building. You will benefit from a quality program with the following highlights:

- Experience building a 3,000 square-foot home.
- Learn how to build hip and valley stick frame roofs, raised panel cabinetry, over-the-post railing systems, and finished oak stairs.

What careers will this diploma/degree prepare me for?

- Building contractor
- Building materials sales
- Carpenter
- Sheetrock hanger and finisher
- Roofer
- Plumber
- Concrete finisher

Future earning information

According to the Iowa Workforce Development Web site, the average annual salary for these positions ranges from \$28,000 to \$37,500.

Sign me up! How do I apply?

Simply go to www.swccciowa.edu to apply for admission or call (641) 782-7081 or (800) 247-4023 to request an application. You will need to submit a final high school transcript or General Educational Development (GED) scores, as well as official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended. You must complete assessment requirements before enrolling in classes. You may provide an ACT composite score of 19 or higher, or take the COMPASS test at any SWCC campus or center.

Program contact information

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Year I Diploma			
Fall Semester			
✓	Course Name	Course #	Credits
	Success Seminar	SDV 110	0.5
	Basic Construction Skills	CON 141	2
	Carpentry Level I	CON 155	3
	Construction Lab IA	CON 183	5
	Construction Lab IB	CON 184	5
	Technical Math	MAT 743	3
Total:			18.5

Spring Semester			
✓	Course Name	Course #	Credits
	Carpentry Level II	CON 156	5
	Construction Lab IIA	CON 188	5
	Construction Lab IIB	CON 189	5
	Employment Communications	COM 724	3
Total:			18.0

Summer Session			
✓	Course Name	Course #	Credits
	Construction Lab III	CON 187	8
Total:			8.0
1-Year Carpentry and Building Trades Diploma Total:			44.5

Students must complete 44.5 credits and maintain a 2.0 grade point average to be awarded a diploma in carpentry and building trades.

Year 2 Associate of Applied Science Degree			
Fall Semester			
✓	Course Name	Course #	Credits
	Carpentry Level III	CON 158	5
	Internship I	CON 401	8
	Personal Finance	ECN 115	3
Total:			16.0

Spring Semester			
✓	Course Name	Course #	Credits
	Carpentry Level IV	CON 159	5
	Internship II	CON 402	8
	Introduction to Business	BUS 102	3
Total:			16.0
AAS Degree Total (including 1-year diploma):			76.5

Students must complete 76.5 credits and maintain a 2.0 grade point average to be awarded an associate of applied science degree in carpentry and building trades.



**Students should check with an advisor for correct semester and section numbers.
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