



# Construction studies

FOR LEAVING CERTIFICATE

This practical subject gives students hands-on experience working with tools and machinery. Students also undertake theoretical and background work for their final examinations which provides the students with useful skills for working in the sector. Construction Studies provides students in the senior cycle of post-primary education with an introduction to the knowledge and skills involved in construction technology and construction materials and processes.

## Career pathways:

- Carpentry
- Construction Management and Planning
- Architecture
- Housing management.

## Also, useful if considering:

- Building management
- Electrician
- Insurance claims
- Heating and ventilation
- Apprenticeships

## Past students who have studied Construction Studies have gone on to do...

- Undominated Engineering choice
- Architecture
- Occupational Safety and Health
- Computer Science
- Creative Design

## A great choice if you:

- Like being hands on in a subject.
- Are a creative student.
- Like problem solving.
- Want to develop it as a career choice.
- Interested in teaching the subject.

## Construction Studies will enhance personal skills such as:

- Problem solving skills
- Design and creativity
- ICT and sketching
- Cognitive and practical skills.

## Assessment:

There are three aspects to the assessment.

- Contains a three-hour written paper worth 300 marks.
- A 4-hour practical woodwork exam, students make a small item out of timber under exam conditions in May. This accounts for 150 marks.
- Building Project and portfolio. This accounts for 150 marks.

## Levels:

Higher and Ordinary Level offered.

