Advanced Technical Certificate in Forestry and Arboriculture



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Adult

So you want an adventurous job working outdoors, solving problems and perhaps climbing trees or working with chainsaws. Perhaps Forestry and Arboriculture would work for you?

The first thing you'll notice about the course is that you will be learning both how to do the work and the reasons behind why it should be done that way. You can expect to spend one third of your time developing practical skills and two thirds on learning the theory and science.

You will be thinking about trees from planting tiny whips to the biggest in the forest. You'll be learning about how trees grow, what their needs are and how we manage them to benefit the wild environment, forests, woodlands, towns and gardens. You can expect to learn the practical skills of chainsaw work and felling trees, how to assess the risk of trees failing and the trees relationship with fungi and other pests and disease. For many arborists climbing is a skill used every day and you can develop the skills to climb safely in the biggest trees for the purposes of inspection, pruning or removal.

In our workshop and store we have a wide range of professional equipment including modern professional quality chainsaws, climbing equipment with which you can learn a wide range technique, a commercial chipper and stump grinder. Infact everything we need for you to develop the set of skills that you need to make a strong contribution when you start in the industry.

You'll be learning from professionals with experience across the industry who are there to give you the very best start to your career.



Scan the QR Code for full course description, assessment and progression options from this course

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry requirements for external applicants and school leavers

• Four or more GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, including English and/or Maths, or successful completion of a relevant Level 2 qualification and a grade 4 or above in English and/or Maths.











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• Functional Skills Level 2 in English and/or maths will be considered as alternatives to GCSE, but a GCSE resit may be required depending on grade.

Entry requirements for existing learners with the Cornwall College Group

• Successful completion of previous course and maths and English GCSE at grade 4 or above.

Please note: Some of our courses may have extra entry requirements or need a bit more information, like evidence or experience. Don't worry - we'll guide you through everything when you apply!



Bicton College - 7 September 2026





LEVEL DURATION Level 3 1 Year

ATTENDANCE

Full-time

FEES

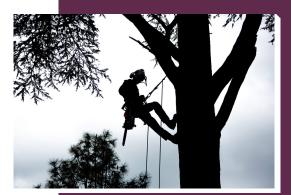
Tuition Fees: £4425.00 FREE for school leavers*

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