

# What about Apprenticeships?

Traditional apprenticeships were available in craft areas, and provided young people with on-the-job training as well as a qualification. There was a heartening 39pc increase in those registering for these between 2014 and 2016. The largest increases were in carpentry, electrical and motor mechanics.

Opportunities for first-year apprentices can be found at any time of year by searching recruitment websites, as well as more specialised websites, such as the Construction Industry Federation's apprentices.ie. Spring is the time when many large organisations begin the recruitment process. The ESB is currently inviting applicants to register an interest for a recruitment drive that will begin in March. Other organisations that have recruited in the past include Iarnród Éireann, Dublin Bus, Bus Éireann, Bord na Móna and Audi, to name a few. The Defence Forces have also begun recruiting regularly, including for apprentice positions.

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# FIT – Smart Building Technologies programme – Cavan

FIT are currently recruiting for a Smart Building Technologies programme, set to



start in Cavan in Mid-November.

As new technologies and the Internet of Things (IoT) make rapid advancements, smart inter-connected buildings are becoming the norm. Smart building technologies and management systems, save energy, streamline facilities management, prevent expensive equipment failures and increase security, comfort and connectivity.

Successful candidates from this course will secure employment in this new but rapidly growing sector of Smart Building Technologies in areas such as systems installation and maintenance including ICT networks, PLCs, KNX systems and the configuration and monitoring of smart building technologies, equipment/appliances and multimedia systems.

Common tasks undertaken by Smart Building Technicians would include:

- Connecting building management systems, energy efficiency measures, security and maintenance systems
- Connecting people and building technologies
- Networking of Systems/ Appliances and Wireless Technologies

- Connecting to the external / global environment
- Systems Management & Monitoring
- Connectivity to an intelligent future
- Installing and Maintenance of Assistive Technologies
- Data Collation & Analysis
- Configuration, Monitoring and Maintenance of Automation / Multi-media Systems

The course is run in conjunction with CMETB and is free subject to eligibility. For more information or to apply, please click [here](#)

## **New Application System for Apprenticeship in the Construction Industry**



Are you interested in an [Apprenticeship](#) in the Construction Industry ?

The Construction Industry Federation have just launched a new website promoting opportunities in the construction industry for apprenticeships –[www.apprentices.ie](http://www.apprentices.ie).

The website gives information about what an apprenticeship in the industry involves but also uniquely it allows young people who are interested in seeking an apprenticeship , to create a personal profile that can be viewed by employers seeking to employ an apprentice.

Also, for the first time, vacancies will be advertised on the site and there are presently a number of well established companies offering positions leading to successful careers in the sector.

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## **McAree Engineering Ltd. has launched an apprenticeship programme**

[McAree Engineering Ltd.](#) has launched an apprenticeship programme for young and interested participants.

A team of seven new apprentices have just commenced their training. The programme has been described as offering 'structured work-based learning' to young people who have recently left school.

Brendan McAree, Managing Director has said "we are delighted to welcome these young men to join the McAree Engineering team – we were fortunate that we had a very high calibre of applicants to the programme and hope that they will all successfully complete their apprenticeships in Sheet Metal Work or Metal Fabrication."

"This programme is another step in the ongoing development of McAree Engineering and brings to over 100 the number of people working within McAree Engineering across our two factories in Ballinode and Carrickroe, Co. Monaghan."

The Apprentices are currently undergoing an induction programme to give them a good insight into what the company does in both its Sheet Metal Fabrication and V-Mac Silo manufacturing departments. [Click here for more information ...](#)

# Occupational Apprenticeships

Occupational Apprenticeships – Over 20 new occupational apprenticeships have been proposed Apprenticeship by the Apprenticeship Council and are currently being developed. These new apprenticeships will be:

**Industry led**

**Two years duration as a minimum**

**Learning that alternates between a workplace and an educational or training institute**

**A minimum of 50% on the job training**

**Part of formal Education and Training**

**Apprentices are employed and paid under a Contract of Apprenticeship**

**Substantial in depth and duration, in order to prepare Apprentices to work autonomously and competently in a specific occupation**

**These new apprenticeships are due to come on stream throughout 2016-2017.**

**Three of these new apprenticeships have been launched.**

- 1. Insurance Practitioner Apprenticeship**
- 2. Industrial Electrical Engineering Apprenticeship**
- 3. Polymer Apprenticeship**

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