

# APPRENTICESHIP IN CARPENTRY/BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

## At a Glance

### Faculty

kpu.ca/trades (<http://kpu.ca/trades/>)

### Area of Study:

kpu.ca/trades/carpentry (<http://kpu.ca/trades/carpentry/>)

### Academic Level:

Vocational

### Credential Granted:

#### Intake Type:

- Open

## Description

In BC, an individual can become certified as a Carpenter by completing the Carpentry apprentice program. Apprenticeship programs are designed to provide students the full scope of knowledge and applied skills necessary to perform the occupation. Apprentices have an employer to sponsor them and are registered with SkilledTradesBC (<https://skilledtradesbc.ca/>).

KPU delivers in-school technical training for Carpentry apprenticeship levels 1, 2, 3 and 4. The in-school technical training for each level is 6 weeks in duration (duration under review) and include an end of level examination. Additional information is available at: [kpu.ca/trades/carpentry](http://kpu.ca/trades/carpentry) (<http://kpu.ca/trades/carpentry/>).

The pathway to becoming a certified Carpenter generally takes 4 years to complete the in-school technical training and work-based training hours. Carpenter apprentices will be eligible to write the Red Seal Inter-provincial Examination upon successful completion of all in-school technical training. Red Seal endorsement will be awarded upon completion of 6480 hours of work based training and is recognized in all jurisdictions across Canada; additional information is at: [red-seal.ca](https://www.red-seal.ca/eng/w.2lc.4m.2.shtml) (<https://www.red-seal.ca/eng/w.2lc.4m.2.shtml>).

## Training Schedules

KPU apprentice training schedules and waitlists are published on the Registration Application (<https://reg-prod.ec.kpu.ca/StudentRegistrationSsb/ssb/registration/>). Additional apprenticeship training opportunities are listed on Trades Training BC (<https://www.tradestrainingbc.ca/>); this is the hub for BC's Public Trades Training Programs & Services.

## Financial Supports for Apprentices

Apprentices may be eligible for financial support for the in-class portion of their training through the EPBC Apprentice Program Financial Supports. Application to this program must be made four to six weeks prior to the start of technical training. Information is available through WorkBC (<https://www.workbc.ca/discover-employment-services/apprentice-services/training-supports/>).

Apprentices must apply separately for Employment Insurance (EI) Benefits no later than the last week of work, or during the first week of training, or they will not be eligible to receive EPBC Apprentice Program Financial Supports. EI information can be obtained by visiting Service Canada (<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/portfolio/service-canada.html>).

The Canada Apprentice Loan is an initiative of the Government of Canada. As of January 2015, apprentices can apply for up to \$4,000 in interest-free loans per period of in-school technical training. Information is available at the Canada Apprentice Loan Service Centre (<https://www.pca-cal.ca/en/Home/>).

## Requirements

### General Prerequisites

The following requirements apply:

- Completed KPU Apprentice Registration (<http://kpu.ca/trades/apprenticeship-registration/>).
- Active apprentice registration in the BC Apprenticeship system.
- Valid Trade Worker Identification number from SkilledTradesBC. If you do not have a SkilledTradesBC ID, you will need to complete an apprenticeship registration form through SkilledTradesBC ([www.skilledtradesbc.ca](http://www.skilledtradesbc.ca)) (<https://skilledtradesbc.ca/>) prior to enrolling (Level 1 through to 4). To determine your eligibility please consult with SkilledTradesBC.

Note: International student enrollment requires approval of the Dean.

## Curricular Requirements

Note: KPU Tech does not permit students to register in Apprenticeship Levels out of sequence.

Code	Title	Credits
ACRP 1010	Carpentry Level 1	0
ACRP 1020	Carpentry Level 2	0
ACRP 1030	Carpentry Level 3	0
ACRP 1040	Carpentry Level 4	0

## Other Information

### Special Equipment

Students will require appropriate tools and safety wear in conformance with WorkSafeBC regulations that include safety glasses, steel toed boots, hard hats and hearing protection.

## Credential Awarded

KPU will report your in-school technical training completion information to SkilledTradesBC in order for SkilledTradesBC to determine credit towards your designated apprenticeship.

## Courses

### ACRP 1010 0 credits

#### Carpentry Level 1

In this level, apprentices will complete the learning objectives as defined in the Industry Training Authority Program Outline (November 2007) for Carpentry. Topics include: Safe work Practices, Documentation and Organizational Skills, Tools and Equipment, Survey Instruments, Site Layout, Concrete Formwork, Residential Housing, and Building Science. Level: VO

Prerequisite(s): 1. Valid Trade Worker ID Number (ITA ID #) 2. Active apprentice registration in the BC Apprenticeship system 3. Additional requirements mandated by the Industry Training Authority may be required, contact Apprenticeship Services for information.

### ACRP 1020 0 credits

#### Carpentry Level 2

In this level, apprentices will complete the learning objectives as defined in the Industry Training Authority Program Outline (November 2007) for Carpentry. Topics include: Safe Work Practices, Documentation and Organizational Skills, Tools and Equipment, Survey Instruments, Rigging and Hoisting Equipment, Perform Site Layout, and Build Concrete Formwork. Employment Insurance (EI) Eligibility Provincial program financial supports must be applied for online through the Apprentice Online Portal at [apprenticeonline.gov.bc.ca](http://apprenticeonline.gov.bc.ca). It is recommended that apprentices apply for these supports four weeks in advance of the start of their technical training and application must be made no later than the first day of technical training.

Level: VO

Prerequisite(s): 1. Valid Trade Worker ID Number (ITA ID #) 2. Active apprentice registration in the BC Apprenticeship system 3. Carpentry Foundation or Level 1 Technical Training 4. Additional requirements mandated by the Industry Training Authority may be required, contact Apprenticeship Services for information.

### ACRP 1030 0 credits

#### Carpentry Level 3

In this level, apprentices will complete the learning objectives as defined in the Industry Training Authority Program Outline (November 2007) for Carpentry. Topics include: Documentation and Organizational Skills, Tools and Equipment, Survey Instruments, Frame Residential Housing, Finishing Materials, and Building Science. Employment Insurance (EI) Eligibility Provincial program financial supports must be applied for online through the Apprentice Online Portal at [apprenticeonline.gov.bc.ca](http://apprenticeonline.gov.bc.ca). It is recommended that apprentices apply for these supports four weeks in advance of the start of their technical training and application must be made no later than the first day of technical training

Level: VO

Prerequisite(s): 1. Valid Trade Worker ID Number (ITA ID #) 2. Active apprentice registration in the BC Apprenticeship system 3. Carpentry Foundation or Level 1 Technical Training and Level 2 Technical Training 4. Additional requirements mandated by the Industry Training Authority may be required, contact Apprenticeship Services for information.

### ACRP 1040 0 credits

#### Carpentry Level 4

In this level, apprentices will complete the learning objectives as defined in the Industry Training Authority Program Outline (May 2009) for Carpentry. Topics include: Use Documentation and Organizational Skills, Use Survey Instruments, Perform Site Layout, Build Concrete Formwork, Frame Residential Housing, Apply Finishing Materials. Employment Insurance (EI) Eligibility Provincial program financial supports must be applied for online through the Apprentice Online Portal at [apprenticeonline.gov.bc.ca](http://apprenticeonline.gov.bc.ca). It is recommended that apprentices apply for these supports four weeks in advance of the start of their technical training and application must be made no later than the first day of technical training.

Level: VO

Prerequisite(s): 1. Valid Trade Worker ID Number (ITA ID #) 2. Active apprentice registration in the BC Apprenticeship system 3. Carpentry Foundation or Level 1, 2 and 3 Technical Training 4. Additional requirements mandated by the Industry Training Authority may be required, contact Apprenticeship Services for information.