Architecture & Construction Career Cluster

The Architecture and Construction career cluster focuses on designing, planning, managing, building, and maintaining the built environment. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from architect, carpenter, and construction manager to electrician, plumber and heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration technician.

Carpentry Program of Study

The Carpentry program of study explores the occupations and educational opportunities related to constructing, installing, or repairing structures and fixtures made of wood, such as concrete forms (including frameworks, partitions, joists, studding, rafters, and stairways). This program of study may also include exploration into installing, dismantling, or moving machinery and heavy equipment according to layout plans, blueprints, or other drawings.

Electrical Program of Study

The Electrical program of study explores the occupations and educational opportunities associated with installing, maintaining, and repairing electrical wiring, equipment, and fixtures. This program of study may also include exploration into installing and repairing telecommunications cable including fiber optics.

Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC) & Sheet Metal Program of Study

The HVAC and sheet metal program of study explores the occupations and educational opportunities associated with installing, serving, or repairing heating and air conditioning systems and also the fabrication, assembly, installation, and repair of sheet metal products and equipment, such as ducts, control boxes, drainpipes, and furnace casings. This program of study may also include exploration into preparing cost estimates for certain construction projects involving heating and air conditioning and sheet metal.

Plumbing & Pipefitting Program of Study

The Plumbing and Pipefitting program of study explores the occupations and educational opportunities related to assembling, installing, or repairing pipes, fittings, or fixtures of heating, water, or drainage systems. This program of study may also include exploration into maintaining pipe supports or related hydraulic or pneumatic equipment for steam, hot water, heating, cooling, lubricating, sprinkling, or industrial production or processing systems.

