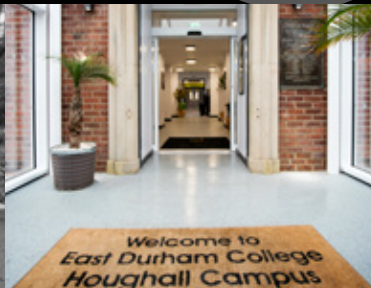


Commercial Land Based Short Courses Guide



How to get more out of your company and your workforce

To get ahead in business, get to know about the training courses on offer at the Houghall Campus of East Durham College.

These short courses are practical, business-based and aimed specifically at companies which need to keep up-to-date with the knowledge and qualifications their industry sector demands.

Whether you're a sole trader looking to formalise or expand your skills, or you want to improve the quality of your staff, we're here to help.

Based in the spacious and tranquil setting of Houghall, only two miles from Durham city centre, we offer formal qualifications, tailor-made workshops, programmes of seminars and more. And, if you don't see what you're looking for

in this leaflet, tell us - we'll do all we can to give you what you need.

Our short courses run throughout the year and include evening and weekend times to keep interruption to day-to-day working to a minimum - so there'll always be something to fit in when it suits you. Training can even happen on your premises to make life even easier.

Qualifications and knowledge can be the key elements which set your business apart from the competition and help it to prosper and grow. So, to get up to speed, get in touch today.

Contact the Short Course Team on
0191 375 4716

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Where Careers Grow



City & Guilds Approved Centre

Many of our short courses lead to competency assessment in a variety of practical skills accredited by the City & Guilds National Proficiency Tests Council (NPTC).

If fact, we have been an approved assessment centre for City & Guilds NPTC for over 20 years.





Small Animal Care Centre



470-Acre Estate



Equine Centre



40x40m Indoor Equine Arena



Science Labs



Extensive Gardens



Kennels



Dog Agility



Agricultural Centre



Cattle Unit

Animal Care & Management

» Emergency First Aid for Dogs - College Certificate

» **Cost:** TBC

» **Course Length:** 1 day

This course covers first aid for the injured dog, nutrition, feeding and the general care of canines. Suitable for pet owners and anyone working with dogs; such as police, prison, guide dogs for the blind.

Arboriculture (Tree Care), Forestry and Horticulture

» Chainsaw Maintenance (CS Unit 30 002/3) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £410 (inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)

» **Course Length:** 2 days

This unit covers the regular operator maintenance required for top or rear handled chainsaws in workshop and field conditions, including starting procedures and pre-work checks. NPTC units of competence are included.

» Tree Felling - Including Small Trees (CS Unit 31 004) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £460 (inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)

» **Course Length:** 3 days

This unit covers trees whose effective diameter at felling height is between 200mm and 380mm (i.e. less than guide bar length). Maximum recommended guide bar length: 380mm. Trainees should hold a CS Unit 30 002/3 qualification prior to training.

» Combined Chainsaw Maintenance and Tree Felling (CS30 002/3 & CS31 004) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £750 (inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)

» **Course Length:** 5 days

Course details as above for CS Units 30 002/3 & 31 004.

» Advanced Tree Felling - Including Medium to Large Trees (CS Unit 32 011) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £660 (inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)

» **Course Length:** 3 days

This unit covers trees with an effective diameter at felling height between 380mm and 760mm (i.e. 1-2 times guide bar length) and/or trees with effective diameter at felling height over 760mm. Maximum recommended guide bar length: 380mm. The felling technique may include boring through the centre of the sink. Trainees must hold Units CS30 002/3 and CS31 004 prior to training.



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Arboriculture (Tree Care), Forestry and Horticulture (cont.)

» **Basic Tree Climbing, Including How to Climb Trees and Perform Aerial Tree Rescue (CS Unit 38 013) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate**

- » **Cost:** £790 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)*
 » **Course Length:** 5 days

This course covers the minimum requirements for a groundsperson working with a climber in arboriculture. Pole rescue and tree identification are additional modules.

» **Operate the Chainsaw from a Rope with Harness (CS Unit 39 008) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate**

- » **Cost:** £660 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)*
 » **Course Length:** 3 days

This unit covers the use of the chainsaw in the tree, carrying out a range of cutting techniques. Trainees should hold the CS30 002/3, CS31 004 and CS38 013 units prior to training. Maximum recommended guide bar length 380mm.

» **Advanced Pruning and Dismantling (CS Unit 40 0021-07 & CS Unit 41 0021-09) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate**

- » **Cost:** £760 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)* » **Course Length:** 5 days

The course covers crown thinning, crown reduction, dismantling and the new rope rigging/zip line techniques.

» **MEWPs (Mobile Elevated Work Platforms) - Lantra Certificate**

- » **Cost:** £410 *(inc. registration and assessment fee)* » **Course Length:** 2 days

This course is designed for anyone who uses or will be using a mobile elevated work platform (scissor or boom – vehicle mounted or self-propelled) in the land based industries or construction industry.

» **Use of a Chainsaw from MEWPs (Mobile Elevated Work Platforms) (CS Unit 47) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate**

- » **Cost:** £210 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)* » **Course Length:** 1 day

Trainees should hold units CS30 002/3 and CS31 004 alongside the MEWPs qualification. This unit covers the removal of lateral limbs and vertical stems from MEWPs. Maximum recommended guide bar length 380mm.

» **Pole Pruning (CS Unit 48 006) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate**

- » **Cost:** £280 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)* » **Course Length:** 1 day

This course is designed for anyone who uses or will be using powered pole pruners. All candidates must hold unit CS30 002/3.

» **Techniques for Dealing with Damaged Trees (CS Unit 50 0021-05) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate**

- » **Cost:** £700 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)* » **Course Length:** 3 days

This course covers the removal of uprooted and partially uprooted trees and snapped trees. All candidates must hold units CS30 002/3 and CS31 004 prior to attending this course.

Pesticide Courses

The College offers courses for people who require a certificate to enable them to use pesticides.

These courses provide instruction and the opportunity to take the NPTC Proficiency Test which meets all legal requirements.

All students must have a basic level of literacy and numeracy to enrol on any pesticide related courses.

» Safe Use of Pesticides (PA1) Foundation Module - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £245 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)*

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers the safety aspects of pesticides required by all pesticide operators including legislation, techniques, PPE, storage, mixing methods, etc. The PA1 test requires attendance at an additional session for a one hour online test.

» Hand Held Applicators (PA6) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £220 *(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)*

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers the operation, calibration and maintenance of knapsack sprayers. The PA6 test requires attendance at an additional session for assessment.



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Machinery and Mechanisation

» Tractor Operation and Basic Maintenance - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £320

» **Course Length:** 2 days

The course covers general health and safety at work, daily maintenance requirements, identification and use of tractor controls, pre-checks before starting a tractor, starting and stopping procedures, tractor operation, safety implications of operating tractors on a bank and knowledge of the safe use of PTO shafts.

This course is also available as a NPTC Certificate at a cost of £420
(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees).

» Operation and Maintenance of Tractor Mounted Implements - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course is designed for experienced tractor drivers.

» Side Arm Flail (Tractor Mounted Hedgecutter) - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £310 (inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers health and safety, operation and maintenance of a tractor mounted attachment for hedge cutting.

» Forklift Truck Telehandler - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £310 (inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)

» **Course Length:** 1 day

This course covers health & safety, operation and maintenance of the forklift truck (telehandler).

» Ride-on Mowers Operation and Maintenance - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £250

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers health and safety, road worthiness, operator maintenance, starting and stopping procedures, gear and speed selection, operating procedures including mowing patterns and quality.

This course is also available as a NPTC Certificate at a cost of £230
(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees).

» Trailer Manoeuvres and Reversing - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course is designed for people using trailers, horse boxes, boat trailers, caravans etc. The course covers legislation, safety operation and techniques.

» Grave Digging - City & Guilds NPTC Certificate

» **Cost:** £720 (inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees)

» **Course Length:** 4 days

This course covers health and safety, record keeping, standards of work, materials and equipment, manual and mechanical grave digging, shoring and excavation of graves and duties and responsibilities. NPTC training and assessment on 180 or 360 mechanical excavators.

» **Brushcutter/Strimmer (Cord or Metal Blade) - College Certificate**

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers maintenance, operation and use in various situations.

This course is also available as a NPTC Certificate at a cost of £250

(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees).

» **Brushwood Chipper - College Certificate**

» **Cost:** £75

» **Course Length:** ½ day

The course covers safety, machine maintenance, chipping and various adjustments on your own personal machine.

This course is also available as a NPTC Certificate at a cost of £175

(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees).

» **Hedgecutters - College Certificate**

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers health and safety, operation and maintenance, cutting hedges and basic pruning techniques.

This course is also available as a NPTC Certificate at a cost of £250

(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees).

» **Pedestrian Mowers Operation and Maintenance - College Certificate**

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers health and safety, operation and maintenance, starting and stopping procedures, operating procedures, including mowing on banks and mowing patterns and quality.

This course is also available as a NPTC Certificate at a cost of £250

(inc. NPTC registration and assessment fees).

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Horticulture - Turf Culture

» Sports Area, Marking Out, Winter Pitches - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £300

» **Course Length:** 2 days

The course covers the use of metric tapes, establishment of right angles, layout of base construction lines, use of marking equipment, marking out of rugby, football and hockey pitches and accuracy and correction of existing pitches.

» Spring Maintenance of Fine Sports Turf - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers the spring maintenance of fine turf including weed/disease control, top dressing, scarification and aeration.

» Autumn Maintenance of Fine Sports Turf - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers the autumn maintenance of fine turf including disease recognition and control, top dressing and aeration.

» Cricket Wicket Preparation and Maintenance - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers the preparation of the square, wicket and marking out for matches.

Estate Skills

» Introduction to Dry Stone Walling – College Certificate

» **Cost:** £170

» **Course Length:** 1 day

Understanding the principles of dry stone wall building. Select and sort stone, develop practical skills, be able to recognise and use tools safely. All materials/tools are provided.

» Introduction to Dry Stone Walling – College Certificate

» **Cost:** £300

» **Course Length:** 2 day

Understanding the principles of dry stone wall building. Select and sort stone, develop practical skills, be able to recognise and use tools safely. You will develop your practical skills on different wall styles and stone types, including dressing stone. All materials/tools are provided.

» Hedge Laying - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £670

» **Course Length:** 2 days

The course covers the preparation of the site for work, cutting and laying pleaches, staking and binding the hedge, day-to-day operations.

» Fence Erection - College Certificate

» **Cost:** £300

» **Course Length:** 2 days

The course covers various specifications including post and rail and strained wire.

» Introduction to Coppicing – College Certificate

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

Coppicing is a woodland management method in which the wood from a tree is harvested by cutting a suitable tree near ground level. The course will cover practical coppicing skills including delimiting coppice rods, stacking of coppice materials and the safe use of tools.

» Introduction to Tree Felling with Hand Tools – College Certificate

» **Cost:** £150

» **Course Length:** 1 day

The course covers practical tree felling skills including delimiting, stacking felled materials and the safe use of tools.



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Application Form

You can apply online via our website eastdurham.ac.uk
or by completing and returning the form below.



» Mr Mrs Miss Ms *(delete as appropriate)*

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» First name(s)

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Please complete and return to:

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