



The Chartered Institution of Wastes Management

HIGHER NATIONAL CERTIFICATE IN WASTES MANAGEMENT

Developed by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management in conjunction with a number of colleges, the Higher National Certificate in Wastes Management is designed to develop a sound appreciation of the Wastes Industry, and to provide a solid body of knowledge and skills appropriate to the student's specific employment area.

The course is vocationally orientated to the needs of organisations within the industry and the subjects have been determined by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management as being relevant to the present and foreseeable needs of the industry, local authorities (to both client and contractor) and the Environment Agency.

It is designed to develop the competencies required to perform effectively at junior and middle management levels in the Wastes Management Industry and will develop specialist skills in the diverse range of technical, operational and managerial requirements of the modern waste industry in order that managers can perform effectively in the various roles which might be expected of them during their career.

Course Duration

The HNC course is normally a two year part-time course with attendance on one day each week throughout the academic year. The detailed arrangements vary from college to college. It is also available on a Distance Learning basis, when there is some flexibility in the period of study and the starting dates.

Entry Requirements

In accordance with the open access policy of the course provision, no formal qualifications are required. However, due to the vocational and specialist nature of the course, enrolment will have regard to the applicant's academic and work experience record. Although entry requirements are flexible, typically they could be expected to include five GCSE/"O" levels (probably including English, Maths and a Science subject) and one A-level or equivalent. Applicants will be required to demonstrate to the college concerned that they can benefit from the course and be able to sustain the motivation to complete the course successfully, and applications will be reviewed in this light. All applications should be made direct to the college concerned at the addresses given below, but other guidance can be obtained from the Education & Training Manager at Institution Headquarters.

Course Content

Topics covered in the HNC course include:

- Activities in the Wastes Industry
- Human Resources in the Wastes Industry
- Financial Resources in the Wastes Industry
- Applying Environmental Science to the Management of Wastes
- Legal Issues in the Wastes Industry
- Information Technology Applications
- The Handling and Disposal of Wastes
- Investigating Analysing and Reporting on a Wastes Management Topic

Distance Learning

Students unable to attend a college on a day release basis are able to study for a Higher National Certificate in Wastes Management by distance learning through the University of Northampton. This highly flexible mode of study allows students to study from the comfort of their own home and at a pace which suits their circumstances. Furthermore students are not restricted by the academic calendar and can join the course anytime during the year.

The HNC by distance learning can be extended to a Foundation Degree and then a BSc by completing additional modules.

Assessment

Assessment is the process of generating evidence and interpreting evidence of student performance. It is an integral part of the learning process which will not only provide a measure of success but also a stimulus to further learning. The continual assessment process is ongoing throughout the course and will take a variety of forms including written, practical, role play or oral presentations. The choice will depend upon the nature of the task being undertaken by the student. The course culminates in a major work based project. There is no final examination.

Career Prospects

Success in the HNC in Wastes Management can give students access to other courses in higher education. These may be, for example, towards an environmental degree or a management diploma.

The HNC will enhance the careers of those working in the Wastes Management Industry and enable them to gain recognition by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management.

CIWM Training Programme & Qualifications for Membership

The course has been designed by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management in association with the colleges. Further details on the courses, such as start dates and costs are available direct from the colleges (contact details below). Information on how the HNC qualification fits into the Institutions requirements for membership can be obtained from:-

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Chartered Institution of Wastes Management
9, Saxon Court, St Peter's Gardens, Marefair
Northampton NN1 1SX
Tel: 01604 620426 --- Fax: 01604 621339
[e-mail: education@ciwm.co.uk](mailto:education@ciwm.co.uk)

Course Availability

COLLEGE	COURSE TUTOR	TELEPHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS
<i>Part Time Courses</i>			
Cardiff School of Health Sciences University of Wales Institute, Cardiff Western Avenue Cardiff CF5 2YB www.uwic.ac.uk	Mr Richard Marshall	Tel: 029 2041 7225 Fax: 029 2041 6982	rmarshall@uwic.ac.uk
Andrew Carnegie Business School Carnegie College Halbeath Dunfermline Fife Scotland KY11 8DY www.carnegiecollege.ac.uk	Mr Ron Broatch	Tel: 01383 845000 ext 6368 Fax: 01383 845001	rbroatch@carnegiecollege.ac.uk
<i>Distance Learning Courses</i>			
University of Northampton Waste Mgmt. Education Group Park Campus Boughton Green Road Northampton NN2 7AL www.northampton.ac.uk	Dr Nigel Freestone	Tel: 01604 735500 Ext 2399 Fax: 01604 720636	nigel.freestone@northampton.ac.uk