



CASE STUDY

Conrad opens his own Business

Intermediate Construction Award
in Carpentry and Joinery

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Introduction

Former Braintree College student Conrad Jacobs is building up his own successful business after training in carpentry and joinery. With business start up funding from the Prince’s Trust Conrad has been able to purchase essential resources for his new business.

Achievement

Conrad embarked on the Foundation Construction Award in Carpentry and Joinery and achieved a Credit. In 2005 he progressed to the Intermediate Construction Award and achieved a Distinction, also completed Health and Safety training to gain his Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) card. The Construction Award is recognised by City and Guilds and the Construction Industry Training Board.

The Future

He said: “Braintree College provided the support and inspiration to help me recognise my potential as a craftsman and my tutor encouraged me to use the skills and experience I’ve gained to set up my own carpentry business. I talked to Business Link and they were very helpful in providing me with advice on writing a business plan and being self employed. I am excited about the future, thanks to the support from Braintree College and the business start up funding I am planning to make my business grow.”

