# CARPENTER

## **DESCRIPTION**

Our homes and buildings rely on the skills and talents of carpenters. Their expertise and talents cover a multitude of different areas including setting foundations, laying new stairs, installing beams and installing trims, decorations and much more.

## **SKILLS**

- Have a careful, methodical and accurate approach to work
- Be able to follow precise instructions, safety standards
- Organized and able to plan most effective way to complete projects
- Read and understand blueprints, diagrams, or drawings

## **DUTIES**

- Building foundations, installing floor beams, laying sub-flooring and installing walls and roofing systems
- Fitting and installing trim, doors, stairs, moulding and hardware
- Preparing cost estimates for clients

- Repairing and renovating wooden structures
- Reading and interpreting blueprints, drawings and sketches
- Measuring, cutting and joining materials made of wood or wood substitutes

### **EDUCATION**

Completion of high school is required

### **RELATED PATHWAY OPTIONS**

Drywall Installer

Cabinet Makers

Fence/Deck Builder

SALARY RANGE \$46,000 to \$87,500

# WHERE TO TRAIN



### LOCAL 183 OR OTHER LOCAL LABOUR UNION RESIDENTIAL HANDYMAN

# **OTHER OPTIONS**

ALGONQUIN COLLEGE BUILDING RENOVATION

CANADORE COLLEGE BUILDING RENOVATION

**DURHAM COLLEGE BUILDING RENOVATION** 

GEORGE BROWN BUILDING RENOVATION

ALGONQUIN COLLEGE

FANSHAWE COLLEGE FLEMING COLLEGE

CONESTOGA CONFEDERATION COLLEGE

**GEORGIAN COLLEGE** 

ST CLAIR COLLEGE

ST LAWRENCE COLLEGE

### **GETTING STARTED**

## THE OCCA CAN HELP YOU EXPLORE THESE THREE PATHWAYS:

- You can begin by applying for a job directly in the Construction Industry. Once you begin working with a Construction Company or Contractor you will quickly gain the necessary skills needed to advance yourself through in-house, work-as-you-learn training.
- You can get started through an apprenticeship program by combining on the job training with technical in-class training, gaining experience and increased responsibility. You can work in the industry, get paid, and work towards earning credits.
- You can enroll in a University, Community College or a Private Technical School to study and prepare yourself for a Career in Construction. All of this information may be found through our website.



