

# Joinery

## CERTIFICATE

### Why study joinery?

You've always had a way with your hands and flair for fine details. Joinery is a growing business and the job opportunities are endless. It's a career where you can make many of your own decisions and where your creative ability, knack for getting the job done, and hard work will pay off.

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#### WHY STUDY JOINERY AT UFV?

UFV's Joinery program will prepare you for entry into the provincial apprenticeship program, as well as directly into employment. You'll get a thorough introduction to the trade, and develop skills expected by today's demanding employers. Theory and shop procedures are set up to simulate job conditions, so your punctuality and good work habits are essential. This program exceeds the provincial standards of Foundation and ELTT training programs taught throughout B.C.

#### WHAT TYPE OF CAREER CAN I EXPECT?

Once you've successfully completed the program, you will be prepared for employment opportunities in the joinery millwork industry and related businesses such as interior finishing and trimming, furniture manufacturing, and cottage industries.

A career in the joinery trade offers good opportunities for those who are willing to spend several years learning the trade.



*“Our program sets the basic groundwork needed by an entry-level tradesperson to be successful in the industry.”*

— **TIM LYNCH**,  
UFV Joinery instructor.

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*“The course is very informative.  
Time flew by while I was learning and having fun.”*

— **KIM CAOQUETTE**  
Joinery student 2007.

## **WHAT WILL I LEARN IN THE PROGRAM?**

You must demonstrate that you understand the written part of each unit by successfully completing a written test at the end of each unit, and you must then apply it to an acceptable level of practical skills as assigned in that unit. You will be working with the help of learning packages that will give you step-by-step instructions.

Your learning materials may include printed worksheets, videotapes, display boards, lab manuals, instructions, demonstrations and/or lectures.

At regular stages you will be required to move to a shop or lab area to perform various tasks in order to develop your practical skills. Practical hands-on training as part of the total plan will increase as you progress through the program, and should amount to about two-thirds of your overall training time.

As much as possible, study lab and shop instruction are patterned after “on-the-job” situations, where a limited amount of direct supervision is required.

The training follows a modular system that begins by developing a wide variety of basic skills, and builds on these to develop intermediate and specialized skills required in this industry.

The modular curriculum provides a flexible learning path, allowing accelerated learning opportunities if you’re entering the program with a greater experience or skill level.

Sample topics:

- Reading and interpreting drawings
- Using joinery shop equipment
- Applying layout techniques
- Assembling cabinets
- Applying finishes
- Installing hardware
- Technical Communications 115 (three academic credits).

All unit tests and assigned practica must be completed with a passing grade before writing the final exam.

## **WHAT DO I NEED TO GET IN?**

You’ll need your B.C. secondary school graduation or equivalent and you must pass a math and reading comprehension entrance exam.

## **WHAT ARE THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?**

As a joinery student, you must complete all requirements with a minimum of 70 percent to receive a Credit (CR) grade in order to graduate.

## **ANYTHING ELSE I NEED TO KNOW?**

Joinery can be a physically demanding job and that’s why a medical statement from a qualified physician may be required at any time before or during the program. You will be notified by a UFV official if or when that statement is required.

UFV's Joinery program is delivered at the Trades and Technology Centre at the Canada Education Park in Chilliwack, which is open 8 am to 4 pm weekdays. Classes and shops are in session weekdays 8 am to 2 pm. As a Joinery student, you will be required to have continuous attendance throughout all three semesters before you can successfully complete the requirements for your program.

This performance-paced program allows you an accelerated completion time and the individual opportunity to develop higher levels of expertise in any area of the program. However, for all students the maximum program length will be enforced as stated under Dates and Attendance Requirements in the UFV calendar.

The program runs from September to May and if you fail to meet the attendance requirements as outlined in your individual program guide, you might be subject to a failing grade or academic warning.

### **SOUNDS GOOD. WHAT DO I DO NEXT?**

Check out UFV's online calendar at [www.ufv.ca/calendar](http://www.ufv.ca/calendar) . Read the Joinery section and program description carefully and if you wish to contact an instructor call Tim Lynch at 604-504-7441, local 5426, or email [tim.lynn@ufv.ca](mailto:tim.lynn@ufv.ca) . Next, you can download an application form and submit it, along with the \$45 application fee, to any UFV Admissions and Records office. You can also transmit it through the internet at [www.pas.bc.ca](http://www.pas.bc.ca) .

If you're currently in Grade 12, you can apply now, but we require a statement from your school counsellor or principal indicating that you are likely to meet graduation requirements by June, and this must be presented at the time of your entrance exam appointment.

You will be notified of your entrance exam date by the Trades and Technology Centre and there is no fee for writing this exam. If you have not been contacted within two weeks of submitting your application, please call us at 604-847-5448. Before classes start, you'll be called and given all the registration procedures. If we can't reach you, you'll be removed from the waitlist.

### **HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?**

Expect to pay program fees of about \$111 per week; this covers tuition plus 10 percent of the tuition for ancillary fees. As a Joinery student, you should also budget about \$350 for basic hand tools, \$775 for the required textbooks and \$85 for your working gear. We require a deposit (currently \$200) to be paid when you register, which typically takes place one or two months before the start of each semester. The balance of your fees must be paid by the second week of the semester. In addition, each semester (fall, winter, and summer) you will be required to pay a \$30 Student Union Society membership fee, a \$35 SUS building fee, \$4.50 Cascade student newspaper fee, a \$40 university bus pass fee, and a \$3 per semester radio station fee.

A health and dental fee (\$160 for 2009/10) is charged annually each fall semester to students with nine or more credits to provide extended medical and dental insurance. You can check with the Student Union Society or at [www.studentcare.net/works](http://www.studentcare.net/works) for details.

It's also worth a visit to the UFV financial aid and awards office, which facilitates the disbursement each year of about \$12 million in federal and provincial student loans, grants, bursaries, scholarships, and awards to UFV students. A helpful budget planning worksheet is available online at [www.ufv.ca/fineaid/budget](http://www.ufv.ca/fineaid/budget) .

### **WHEN SHOULD I APPLY?**

Apply right away. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis throughout the year. Qualified applicants are considered for the next intake that has space.

To determine when the next intake occurs, call the Trades and Technology centre at 604-847-5448, or 1-888-504-7441, ext. 5448, or email [trades@ufv.ca](mailto:trades@ufv.ca) to get more details.

## WHERE WILL MY CLASSES BE DELIVERED?

UFV's Joinery program is delivered at the Trades and Technology Centre at the Canada Education Park in Chilliwack.

The large, wood-floored carpentry and joinery shop at the TTC features the latest dust collection and ventilation systems, as well as multiple workstations and a fully-equipped tool room. It boasts a seven-ton Computer Numerical Control machine for producing precision millwork. Carpentry students also have a covered, outdoor area for framing and building items like two-storey building structures and roofs.

UFV's Trades and Technology Centre is the university's first facility to open in Chilliwack's Canada Education Park, a 200-acre education and research park situated along the historic Vedder River on what was once Canadian Forces Base Chilliwack.

## CAN I SPEAK WITH SOMEONE ABOUT MY OPTIONS?

Yes! We want to hear from you! If you're unsure of your direction, contact Student Services at 1-888-504-7441 to connect with an educational advisor, or arrange for career counselling. You can also contact the Trades and Technology centre directly at 604-847-5448, 1-888-504-7441, local 5448, or email [trades@ufv.ca](mailto:trades@ufv.ca) to get more details, or visit our website at [www.ufv.ca/trades](http://www.ufv.ca/trades).



## About UFV

Nestled in the beautiful Fraser Valley just east of Vancouver, in B.C., UFV is a fully accredited, public university that enrolls more than 11,000 students each year. UFV has campuses in Abbotsford, Chilliwack, and Mission and regional centres in Hope and Agassiz, and a growing presence in Chandigarh, India.

UFV is committed to exceptional post-secondary instruction and a nurturing learning environment. We are large enough to offer variety, yet small enough to offer the personal attention that our students need to thrive. Our small class sizes and focus on teaching allow our students to get to know their instructors and learn in a hands-on setting.

We offer more than 80 programs, including 13 bachelor's degrees, a master's degree, and more than a dozen trades and technology programs. We believe that anyone who wants to go to university should be given the chance, so our admission policies are flexible, and we provide university prep courses and high school completion options. There are many options for learning: full-time, in class, online, as part of a structured program or one tailored specifically to your interests.

Many of our programs "ladder" into one another, allowing students to keep their options open. Our international programming makes for a culturally diverse student body and great opportunities to study abroad, while our continuing studies offerings make learning a lifelong experience.

UFV is recognized nationally for student success, an excellent learning environment, creative integration of programming, and our work with our local communities.

Get to know us better at [www.ufv.ca](http://www.ufv.ca).



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