IS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FOR ME?

Ask yourself…
1. Am I interested in construction?
2. Do I like working in a team environment?
3. Am I good at assigning tasks and responsibilities?
4. Do I want to oversee all aspects of a construction job?
5. Do I want to be involved with the construction of widely-recognized buildings and structures?
6. Do I want to work directly with clients to help them meet their goals?
7. Do I want to work on a construction site?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, a career in construction management might be for you. Talk to your guidance counselor to learn more.
WHAT DO CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS DO?

Construction managers oversee large-scale construction projects. They are responsible for completing these projects on time, on budget, and with high levels of quality and safety. They help deliver projects that achieve the owner’s goals.

Operations Management
Planning and managing construction.

Cost Management
Budget Adherence.

Time Management
Keeping a project on schedule.

Contract Management
Negotiating contracts between contractors and owners.

Quality Management
Making sure everything is built according to the design, budget, schedule and contract(s).

Professional Practice & Ethics
Following rules of conduct, and maintaining industry-standard practices.

Risk Management and Safety
Identifying and managing risks and uncertainties and managing those risks, including safety, during the project life cycle.

WHAT DO I NEED TO LEARN?

Construction managers need strong leadership and analytical skills. Math, science, English and computer courses are especially important. Effective communication, leadership and attention to detail are all critical to properly managing construction successfully.

As a career, construction managers:

• Can earn an Associates, Bachelors, Masters, or Doctoral Degree.

• Often have an architecture, engineering, construction management or business degree.

• Can become Certified Construction Managers (CCM).

• Can be self-employed.

• Are seeing very large increases in employment rates.

• Often make more than $100K/year.

DID YOU KNOW?

• Every project is different, so as a construction manager, you are constantly challenged by new projects and situations.

• Construction managers work directly with owners, builders, architects, engineers and planners every day to solve the world’s toughest and most challenging projects.

• Construction managers work on “green” projects that foster a sustainable future.

• Construction managers manage the construction of projects that you see every day including schools, museums, hospitals, skyscrapers, stadiums, tunnels, bridges, airports, and roads.

• Many construction managers work all over the world managing large projects.

• The construction industry makes up about 10% of our economy.

Did you know?