











What is a Polymer Apprenticeship?

The Polymer Technologist Apprenticeship is an 'earn and learn' degree programme that combines on-the-job training with academic study. This three-year programme lead to a level 7 Bachelor of Science in Polymer Technology from Athlone Institute of Technology.

Why should you hire a polymer apprentice?

Representatives from across the plastics manufacturing industry developed this programme, so it is designed to meet the needs of organisations both large and small. Here are some of the key benefits identified by companies engaged in the programme:



Recruitment

Through structured funding, taking on an apprentice helps to lower recruitment and training costs.



Increase Technical Knowledge

Through their study towards professional qualifications and the application of these learnings in the company, apprentices are building their technical knowledge which in turn feeds back into the business.



Fresh Blood

Apprentices bring a fresh perspective, new ideas and a hunger to learn.



Increase Productivity

Apprentices are actively filling talent gaps and making businesses more productive.

What our employers say

- "The benefits of the apprenticeship to the company are exceptional."

 Patrick Kearney, Key Plastics
- "It has enabled West to offer a career path for existing employees in the engineering field whilst also creating a stable pipeline of skilled Technicians in an area where the business struggled to recruit."

Ann Clarkin, HR Business Partner, West Pharmaceuticals

Why not join the community of companies that are developing a new talent pipeline

























































How to get involved



An initial assessment is required to assess your company's suitability to train



You will need experienced staff members to act as mentors and/or supervisors



You must provide the apprentice a suitable role to facilitate their learning



Salary is set by individual company

Contact us

We are here to help if you are looking to hire an apprentice.

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