

Quantity Surveying in Construction

What is a Quantity Surveyor?

- ★ Manage the costs and financial side of building projects
- ★ Make sure projects stay on budget while meeting legal and quality standards
- ★ Work with project managers, architects, engineers, and contractors
- ★ Advise clients on budget planning and funding options

What are the Main Responsibilities?

- ★ Prepare and manage contracts
- ★ Track budgets and control spending
- ★ Monitor progress to make sure money is spent wisely
- ★ Solve financial problems before they impact the project

Did you Know?

The Shard in London is the tallest building in the UK at 95 storeys!

- ★ Cost: £1.5 billion
- ★ Quantity surveyors helped track costs, manage contracts, and ensure value for money
- ★ Complex budgeting helped solve challenges like material shortages and design changes

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Fun Fact

QUANTITY SURVEYING: COULD THIS BE THE ROLE FOR YOU?

Figuring out your future isn't easy, so here's some quick pointers to see if this career could be a good match for you.

Useful Skills

- ★ Strong numerical & analytical skills
- ★ Good communication & negotiation skills
- ★ Problem solving & quick thinking
- ★ Teamwork & collaboration
- ★ Attention to detail
- ★ Organisation & planning
- ★ Tech & digital skills





Quantity Surveyors at Work:St Michael's Church

Project Value: £3.5m
Project: Replacing the existing
makeshift chapel

Next Steps

- ★ Consider A-levels in Maths, Physics, Business, Design Technology, or ICT
- ★ For BTECs try Construction, Engineering or Business

Relevant Degrees include:

- ★ BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying
- ★ BSc (Hons) Commercial Management
- ★ Membership of RICS

Or go the apprenticeship route:

- ★ Construction Quantity Surveyor Degree Apprenticeship
- ★ Surveying Apprenticeships (RICS level 3–6)
- ★ Quantity Surveying Degree Apprenticeship

Starter Salary £20,000 - £30,000 Entry Level based on national average Why not try getting work experience with a local construction or consultancy firm? Even a day or a week can give you a real taste of what it's like to manage a project. It looks great on your CV!

Want to see more? Scan the QR code for tips on getting into quantity surveying



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