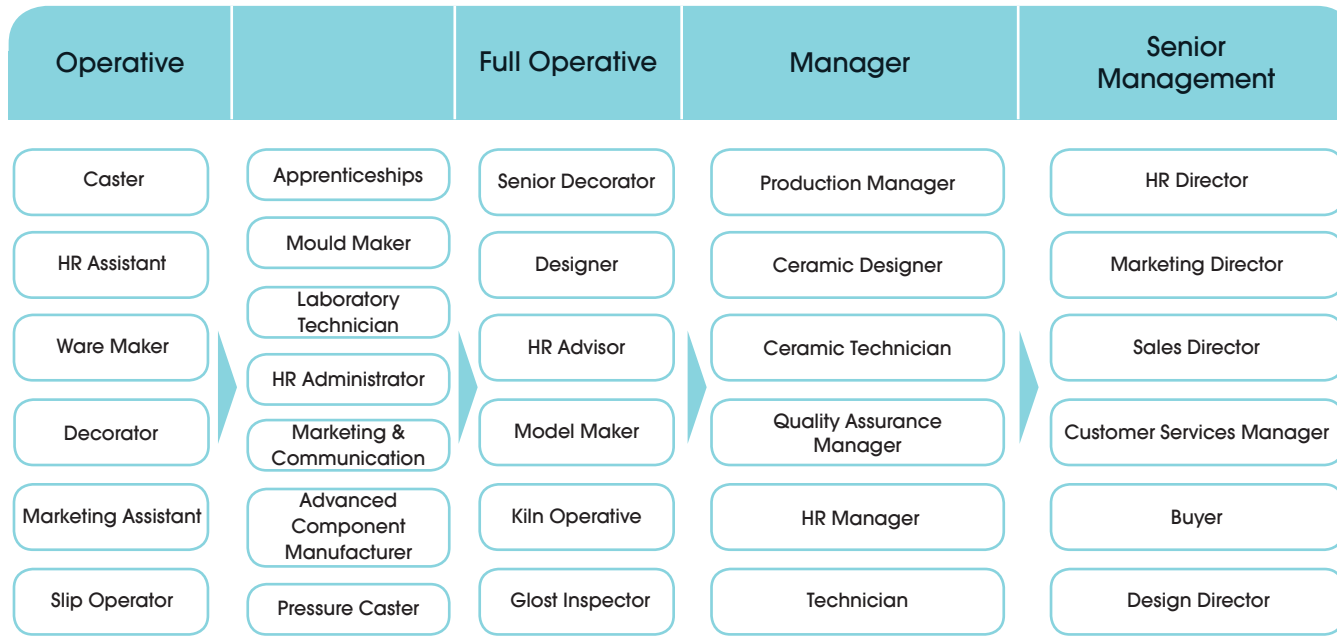


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Industry Specific Qualifications

Level 1 ▼	Level 2 ▼	Level 3 ▼	Level 4 ▼	Level 5 and above ▼
GCSEs (Grade D - G) Functional Skills Work Based Learning Programmes Diploma in: • Manufacturing & Product Design Skills for Life Certificate	GCSEs (Grade A* - C) Functional Skills Work Based Learning Programmes Skills for Life Certificate Higher Diploma in: • Manufacturing & Product Design VQ in: • Manufacturing Ceramics (competence) • Ceramics Manufacturing (knowledge) • Business Improvement Techniques	A/AS Levels Work Based Learning Programmes Apprenticeship Certificate in Ceramics Manufacturing Advanced Diploma in: • Manufacturing & Product Design	Work Based Learning Programmes Industry Related Foundation Degree Job Related Vocational Qualification Certificate of Credit in Ceramic Manufacturing Processes	Work Based Learning Programmes Masters Degree, PhD

Typical Wage Bands*				
£12,000 – £14,000	£14,000 – £18,000	£18,000 – £25,000	£25,000 – £40,000	£45,000 – £75,000+

Please note that these qualifications are desirable but not necessarily essential. Within the Ceramics Industry, you could also work in any of the following disciplines: Administration, Environment, Health & Safety, Marketing or Project Management. For more information, please visit www.prospect4u.co.uk
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We are surrounded by ceramics, from the tiles on our walls and floors to the fittings in our bathrooms, to the plates on our tables. Combining practicality with design and beauty, this industry belongs to one of the most traditional industries of the UK economy and is truly part of Great Britain's great heritage.

If you are good with your hands, are creative with a natural flair for design and a keen eye for detail, then maybe you should be considering a career in the Ceramics Industry. You can be anything from a potter to a flatware maker to a lithographer or even a designer.

Luke Maxwell (not pictured) Ceramic Glaze and Print Mixer Apprentice

Luke started a two year apprenticeship with Johnson Tiles in January 2010 at the age of 16 after finishing his GCSE's.

Luke wasn't interested in staying on in school and wanted to start work but found it difficult at his age to find work until he applied for an apprenticeship at Johnson Tiles.

Luke said, "I have chosen a career with Johnson Tiles as it was a chance for an apprenticeship in the ceramics industry where my father had worked some years ago.

"I found it very hard to find a career opportunity and felt that I was not given the chance because of being young and just out of school. But this scheme has given me the opportunity to train and earn money at the same time, with which I will hopefully achieve a nationally recognised Certificate at the end."

The apprenticeship is split into learning modules starting with a Company Induction Programme along with a Departmental Induction Programme.

Luke must complete basic key skills modules which will form part of the Continual Improvement. Other modules to be completed during the apprenticeship will include Core Business Functions, Glaze Stock Systems, Glaze Cylinder Charging & Discharging, Colour Glaze Mixing, Glaze Dipping of Glaze Trials and Ceramic Print Production. And if that is not enough, the apprentice will be trained to a certificate level in order to drive powered trucks and will be able to take a visit to Spain to experience the making of Glaze from raw materials.

After two years, once he has completed the Johnson Tiles apprenticeship scheme, Luke will have the chance to become a multi-skilled qualified Glaze Production Operative with the opportunity to move up to the next level within the department or the company to a Team Leader position.

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