

**Program****PLUMBING**

- *Diploma, Certificate Programs*
- *Plumbing Diploma Day Program: 3 semesters, including 1 summer term*
- *Plumbing Certificate Day Program: 2 semesters*
- *Admission Cycle: Fall*
- *Maximum Number Admitted Annually: 18-20*

**Career Description**

Plumbers work with cast-iron, copper, plastics, and other materials in the process of installing, removing, or modifying a plumbing system for the purpose of conveying a water supply and removing wastewater. A plumber is responsible for sanitation and public health related to the plumbing systems of a building. There is a shortage of qualified plumbers at both state and national levels.

**Careers Available**

Plumbers are employed by plumbing contractors, parts supply houses, inspection divisions, and maintenance companies. Many are self-employed, though it is a profession that normally requires a long period of on-the-job training to be considered fully qualified.

**Entry-Level Salary**

\$20,000 - \$28,000/yr.

**Course of Study**

The plumbing curriculum is designed to give individuals the opportunity to acquire basic skills to assist with the installation and repairs of plumbing systems in residential and small buildings. Course work includes sketching diagrams, interpretation of blueprints and practices in plumbing assembly. Students will gain knowledge of State Codes and requirements. Students will develop skills through hands-on participation during lab and at job sites. Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from job sites.

**Recommended Courses and Skills**

Construction and shop classes are helpful but not required.

**Helpful Personal Attributes**

Enjoy inside and outside work, adaptability to many situations and mechanical aptitude.

**Program Contact**

If you would like additional information about the Plumbing Program, contact Matthew Beverly, Plumbing Program Coordinator/Instructor, at 336.734.7231 or [mbeverly@forsythtech.edu](mailto:mbeverly@forsythtech.edu).

**How To Get Started**

You may pick up an application at the Admissions Office, 123 Allman Center on the Forsyth Tech Main Campus, 2100 Silas Creek Parkway in Winston-Salem. You may also request an application by calling 336.734.7253, or you may apply online at [www.forsythtech.edu](http://www.forsythtech.edu).