

Suggested Student Activities

FURNISHINGS

Teachers delivering this course and workplace supervisors who have hosted their students recommend any of the following activities for students to complete during work placement. This is not a finite list, you may wish to offer other equally suitable activities relevant to the course.

Talking with the students should help reveal their level of confidence and maturity, their current strengths, their preferred competencies to work on and perhaps some areas to improve.

NB: The activities include degrees of independent work – instruction and supervision must still be provided for the student.

- Perform basic furnishing calculations of the quantities and costs of materials required to construct a project.
- Use computer technology to prepare quotations, data bases, and letters in relation to a production run.
- Assist with the assembly of basic frames and carcasses using appropriate furniture construction joints.
- Demonstrate the ability to choose and use safely the correct portable power tools for a job.
- If possible use the furniture construction joints you have learnt.
- Observe and note the types of hardware, fasteners, coatings and adhesive used in the processes.
- Ascertain the species of timber used in the production process. Also list the manufactured boards.
- Observe and, if possible, take part in procedures for handling materials, components and products. Consider receipt, storage, distribution and dispatch.
- Display the ability to read instructions and patterns.
- Use instructions and patterns to cut fabrics and timbers, plastics and metals ready for production.
- Observe and list the OH&S signage at the worksite.
- Identify the hand / power tools used, their storage and maintenance schedules.
- Observe the fabrics used and ascertain the reasons for their use, eg. durability, fashion, etc.
- Where possible collect brochures for the company's products for a class presentation.

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