

# SUCCESS STORY

Anderson Gomez-Cuello



Anderson's no nonsense approach to learning and his desire to excel in all he did bowled the Nottingham Skills Academy team over...



## AT A GLANCE

### Challenges

- The detrimental effects of Covid 19 on his livelihood, and his mental health
- Searching for a new career route

Anderson had always felt an affinity with the construction industry, and started to look at its practical and physical side, rather than the visionary elements in this vast field.

### CHALLENGES

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### SOLUTIONS

Anderson excelled on the ITC course, and on every task he undertook on the multi-trade programme that he moved on to straight after. When asked about his experiences at the academy, Anderson enthused: It's been perfect because everyone interacts, and there are democratic decisions between us and the associates."



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**RESULTS**

Anderson discovered that he had a natural flair with woodwork when undertaking the joinery element of the multi-trade course. And in terms of mental progress, he told us: "My tutor, Lee, encouraged me to speak about how the pandemic has impacted my mental health, which has given me a better understanding of what I want to do, to help me going forward."

**INSPIRATION**

A paid leader at Volunteer It Yourself (VIY), working with young people aged 14-24 in the local community, he concluded: "The course has improved my confidence and I've been able to communicate more openly."

After gaining all the necessary skills, along with his newly acquired CSCS card, Anderson plans to gain more skills and experience working as an apprentice joiner then aims to set up his own business and take his ideas and learning back home.

NSA had lined up a joinery apprenticeship with NCC for Anderson, and we wish him the best of luck with his career. With so much enthusiasm and charisma, we're confident he will be a raging success!



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