

Collen Graduate Development Programme



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Introduction

The Collen graduate programme aims to develop initiative, teamwork, androleappreciationwhileprovidingacomprehensiveunderstanding of business functions and their value. Over 18 months, we focus on enhancing planning, communication, and time management skills to effectively meet learning requirements. Graduates will gain a strong sense of personal responsibility, understanding how to add value to projects, and learn to navigate working within the ever changing and challenging construction industry.

The Collen Graduate Development Programme is accredited as a CPD Approved Graduate Development Programme by Engineers Ireland, recognising our commitment to excellence in early career professional development.



Our Learning Model

We use a comprehensive 60:20:20 learning model.



60% Work-Based Learning



20% Collaborative Learning



20% Formal Learning







Why choose our programme

International presence and opportunities for travel and collaboration across borders and functions.



Training in learning areas including:

- Technical expertise
- Interpersonal and leadership
- Health & Safety
- Quality
- Environmental and sustainability
- Digital construction
- Lean construction
- Software applications
- Commercial
- Tendering
- Pre-construction

Comprehensive learning experience over our 18 month programme based on the 60:20:20 learning model.



- Professional body membership with opportunities to network with industry professionals.
- Dedicated mentor to guide your career development.



- Hands-on experience with exposure to various departments and roles.
- Work-based learning with realworld projects.

- Award-winning Learning Management System with comprehensive course content.
- Career progression pathways with a clear roadmap from graduate to future leadership roles.
- A supportive, inclusive and dynamic work environment that fosters growth and innovation through a strong commitment to our values - safety, integrity, teamwork, ownership and sustainability.



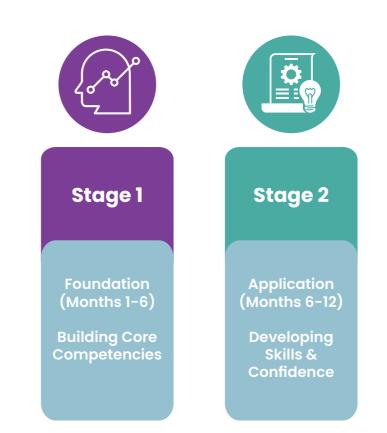
Rewards and Benefits

Join our team of talented professionals and fast-track your career by working on complex, high-profile, and fast-paced construction projects for some of the world's leading corporations.

- Competitive salary
- Study leave
- Flexible working
- Pension* •
- Life Insurance
- **Employee Assistance Programme** •
- Annual performance reviews •
- International relocation support*
- *Note: When/Where applicable

Programme duration

Our programme is delivered over 18 months













Stage 3

Expansion . (Months 12-15)

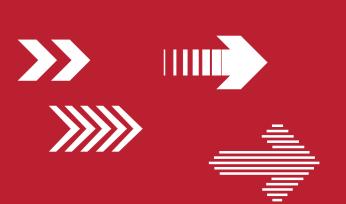
Broadening Experience and Leadership



Stage 4

Mastery (Months 15-18)

Preparing for Independent Contributions



Solution Career Paths

- Architectural Technology
- Building Engineering
- Building Services
- Civil Engineering
- Construction Management
- Digital Construction/BIM
- Health and Safety
- Mechanical and Electrical Engineering
- Project Management
- Quantity Surveying
- Structural Engineering
- Sustainable Energy

Our Locations

- Ireland
- Sweden
- United Kingdom
- Denmark
- Finland
- Spain
- Germany

Multi sector **Engineering Led** general contractor

Over

400 staff

Ranked in the **top 5** main building contractors in Ireland

Revenues of

Established in **1810**



Our People

The career journeys of our people represent the breadth of talent - from early career professionals to experienced leaders; each contributing to our shared success across disciplines and regions.



Bruce, a BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying graduate from Robert Gordon University, has 11 years of industry experience. Since joining Collen in 2019 as a Quantity Surveyor, he has progressed rapidly, becoming Managing QS in 2022 and European Commercial Lead in 2023. Based in Sweden, his adaptability and drive are evident in his recent Post Graduate Certificate in Mechanical and Electrical Quantity Surveying from Atlantic Technical University. His career growth reflects Collen's commitment to developing and rewarding ambitious talent.









Margaret graduated with distinction from Robert Gordon University in 2012 with a BSc (Hons) in Architecture and progressed from Architectural Assistant to Associate before she joined Collen as a Design Coordinator in 2021, where she efficiently managed subcontractors, chaired design meetings, and streamlined communication between teams. Promoted to Lead Design Coordinator in 2023, Margaret was further promoted to Design Manager in 2025. In this role, she now leads interdisciplinary collaboration, oversees design risk management, and ensures alignment between project teams across jurisdictions - reflecting Collen's commitment to career progression and leadership development.





FIONN PRIESTLEY

Site Engineer Joined Collen in 2021 Based in Sweden

Fionn gained hands-on experience as a student engineer on major Dublin projects, including One Wilton Park and Capital Dock. After earning his BSc (Hons) in Civil Engineering from TU Dublin in 2021, he joined Collen as a Graduate Engineer, working on data centre and substation projects in Ireland. In 2023, he progressed to Site Engineer and joined our Swedish team. Skilled in setting out, surveying, and industry software like AutoCAD and Navisworks, Fionn's journey reflects Collen's commitment to developing engineers in a dynamic international environment.





RAY COOTE

Head of Digital

Construction

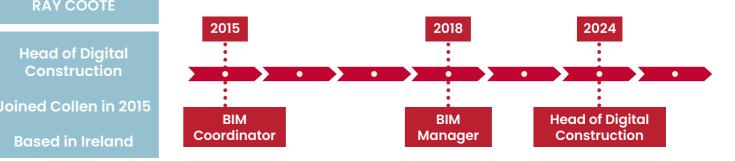
Based in Ireland

Joined Collen in 2021

Based in UK

and Ireland

Ray has nearly 30 years of experience in Architectural Technology and BIM. After earning a Diploma in Architectural Technology from TU Dublin in 1996, he built his expertise in technical design and digital construction, serving as a Senior Architectural Technologist and BIM Coordinator in a leading practice. Since joining Collen as BIM Coordinator in 2015, he has driven digital advancements, completing an MSc in Applied BIM & Management at TU Dublin in 2018. Promoted to Head of Digital Construction in 2024, Ray now leads the team, fostering collaboration, innovation, and a strong digital strategy across the organisation.





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Asif joined Collen as a Health & Safety Officer in 2017 and advanced to Lead Health & Safety Officer in 2019 and Senior Health & Safety Officer in 2020. His proactive approach and expertise have been instrumental in strengthening safety standards across Collen. With international experience in Pakistan and Saudi Arabia, Asif brings a global perspective to health and safety. He completed a Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety in 2020 and holds a BSc in Engineering. Committed to mentoring and best practices, Asif was recently nominated for Collen's employee recognition programme, reflecting his dedication to safety and continuous improvement.





Bid Director

Joined Collen in 2016

Based in Ireland

Stephen, now Bid Director at Collen, joined Collen as a Contracts Manager in 2016, he has played a key role in project planning and bid management, becoming Head of the Bid Department in 2020 and Bid Director in 2024. A strong advocate for professional development, Stephen lectured on the Construction Management programme at SETU until 2024, he holds an MSc in Construction Informatics (TU Dublin, 2020) and a BSc in Energy Management (SETU, 2016). His career progression reflects Collen's commitment to recognising expertise, rewarding leadership, and driving excellence in preconstruction and bidding.





WILLIE LOUGHNANE

Project Director Joined Collen in 2007 Based in Ireland Willie, a Chartered Civil Engineer with 20+ years of experience, began with Collen in 2007 as a Senior Engineer. He steadily progressed into key leadership roles, becoming Senior Contracts Manager in 2019 and Project Director in 2023. Holding a BE (Hons) in Civil Engineering from NUI Galway, he has built on his expertise with further qualifications, including a Postgrad Diploma in Project Management (2009), a certificate in Lean Operational Excellence (2021), and a Diploma in Construction Law (2023). With strong leadership and project management skills, Willie plays a vital role in delivering complex construction projects across the Data Centre and Energy sectors.





JAMES GRIMES Quantity Surveyor

Joined Collen in 2017 Based in Ireland James is a Quantity Surveyor with seven years' experience in the construction industry (four as a trainee Surveyor, and three postgraduate experience). He graduated from TU Dublin in 2021 with a BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying & Construction Economics and has been steadily building his expertise in cost management and commercial operations. Beginning his career as a Trainee Quantity Surveyor with Collen in 2017, James gained valuable hands-on experience before stepping into his current role as a Quantity Surveyor in 2023. His strong analytical skills, attention to detail, and commitment to continuous learning make him a valuable asset to the team as he develops his career in the industry.





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Vitor joined Collen in 2002 as a General Operative, where he first took on the role of Health & Safety Representative. Through on-the-job learning and formal training in Occupational Safety and Health, he progressed into dedicated safety roles. Now a Health & Safety Lead, Vitor has worked on a wide range of projects including data centres across Ireland, Germany, Denmark, and Sweden. With over 15 years' experience in construction, his career path reflects the strong focus on development, progression, and international opportunity available at Collen.





Since joining Collen in 2019 as a BIM Coordinator, Emmanouela has embraced incredible opportunities for growth, progressing to her current role as Lead Digital Construction Coordinator. Working across diverse projects, she has gained valuable insights into different working methods and expanded her expertise, particularly through her involvement in a power plant project in Ireland. With an MSc in Architecture from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Emmanouela's career has taken her from Greece to Abu Dhabi to Ireland, where she has specialised in digital construction.





RICHARD O'MAHONY

MEP Manager Joined Collen in 2018 Based in Sweden

Richard has extensive experience in MEP coordination, construction, and commissioning across data centre, commercial, and residential projects. Since joining Collen as an MEP Coordinator in 2018, Richard has advanced through key roles, becoming Senior MEP Coordinator in 2020, Project Commissioning Lead in 2021, MEP Construction Manager in 2022, and MEP Manager in 2024. Holding a B.Eng. in Mechanical Engineering (2011) and a Foundation Certificate in Professional Engineering (2010) from TU Dublin, Richard combines technical expertise with leadership in quality assurance, commissioning, and subcontractor management, making him integral to delivering complex MEP projects.





RYAN CORCORAN

Environmental Officer Joined Collen in 2018 **Based in Ireland**

Ryan joined Collen in 2018 as a Junior Health & Safety Officer upon graduating from TU Dublin and since progressed to his current role as an Environmental Officer. In 2020, he moved to Australia to gain international experience before returning to Collen in 2021. With expertise in environmental resource protection, he specialises in inspections, risk assessments, and compliance evaluations, playing a key role in sustainable project delivery. Holding a BSc in Environmental Health, Ryan is focused on managing hazardous construction environments, he works to optimise safety, ensure regulatory compliance, and promote environmental sustainability.







Construction Excellence since 1810