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Demolition Degree Launched

The University of Wolverhampton has launched the first demolition management master's degree programme in the UK.



Above: **Paul Hampton (University of Wolverhampton), Patricia Stoneczny, Richard Dolman (both AR Demolition) and John Woodward (C&D Consultancy)** John Woodward is a member of our Institute.

Studies start this term at the University's School of Architecture & Built Environment.

Accredited by the Institute of Demolition Engineers (IDE), the course has been designed in conjunction with industry specialists and will be delivered by both academics and demolition experts, such as previous ICM Manager of the year winner John Woodward of C&D Consultancy.

Paul Hampton, head of built environment at the University of Wolverhampton, said: "We are confident this will provide a significant offer to the demolition industry and the wider built

environment sector. In particular, this will address the sector skills gaps and provide a meaningful step change for recruiting future talent."

Mick Ulyatt, chair of the IDE education committee, said: "The formal accreditation of this degree is an historic landmark for the development of demolition engineering and is an important milestone in trying to get more young people interested in pursuing a career in this field. We have no problem attracting labourers and operatives, which is great. However, we want youngsters looking to become chartered demolition engineers, senior managers and the leaders of the future.

"There isn't anything like this currently in the UK and the University of Wolverhampton has shown its passion and understanding of our sector by working with us to shape the content and delivery of the courses."

Ten people have signed up for the master's course, which comprises of up to 15 different modules, ranging from asbestos removal and façade retention to working with explosives and health and safety.

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The British Virgin Islands

We have all seen on TV the Damage by hurricane Irma, one of our overseas members Mark Jones lives and works on the Island, he reported to me that he was ok and the Construction project he was on survived but most of the Island properties suffered terrible



damage.



British troops helping to repair electricity and clearing up dangerous buildings.

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BAM picked to build Sheffield wellbeing centre

BAM Construction has won a £9m contract to build Sheffield Hallam University's new Advanced Wellbeing Research Centre.



The Advanced Wellbeing Research Centre (AWRC) will form the centrepiece of Sheffield's Olympic Legacy Park (OLP). It will act as the research hub for the National Centre for Sports & Exercise Medicine in Sheffield, a 2012 Olympic Legacy project. The facility will bring together clinical services and physical activity facilities to help people with a medical need to exercise more easily.

The government has committed £14m to the project. Anticipated construction start date is

19th December 2017 and completion date is in February 2019.

Designed by HLM Architects, the five-storey steel-frame building will have 3, 800 m² of space for specialised laboratories and associated office space. There is also a motion analysis hall to the rear of the building, which is double height with a cross laminated timber frame. The façade is generally glazed, and timber clad with a brick plinth and ground floor level. The primary aim of the AWRC is to create innovations that will 'improve the health of the nation', tackling issues such as inactivity and obesity.

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Putting health and safety measures in place

can reduce the number of accidents and equipment faults on site, which will, in turn, reduce delays and improve efficiency. There are several simple steps that contractors can take to ensure optimum working conditions. First, the use of off-site manufacturing, wherever possible, moves many tasks to a highly controlled factory environment and simplifies onsite activities, involved but can lower morale within the team and, in turn, lower levels of productivity.

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