

Train to be a Teacher

...And receive a tax free bursary of up to £30,000 dependent on age group and subject



You will receive:

- High quality School Based Training alongside Qualified Teachers
- Excellent employment prospects & a rewarding career

You will need:

- A relevant degree
- GCSE grade C or above in English & Maths (Science is required for Primary)
- Excellent communication skills
- To enjoy working with young people

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Secondary

Places available for English, MFL, Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, History, Geography, Music, Art, Drama, Psychology, Computer Science, RS, and Design Technology (including Engineering, Graphics, Food and Textiles).

Bursaries of up to £30,000

For further information contact
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Primary

Places available for Primary and Primary with Maths.

For further information on
Primary training, contact
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The Highest Quality Start to Your Teaching Career

Why Train With Us?

'Employment rates are consistently high for all groups of trainees.'

'Managers take full account of local needs in their development plans and this contributes to trainees' high employment rates. The partnership makes a significant contribution to the supply of teachers in the local area, including in schools that sometimes find it difficult to recruit and schools in challenging circumstances.'

'The good communication between placement schools, and between the partnership and the employing school, that ensures training over time is effective and never loses momentum'

Ofsted | November 2014

These are just a few of the very positive observations taken from our recent Ofsted inspection which graded us as 'Good' across all aspects of our provision. As these comments reflect – our focus is to deliver high quality school centred teacher training in response to the recruitment needs of local schools.

Offering both Primary and Secondary teacher training places across the Bedfordshire area – more than 99% of our trainees go on to be employed within our partnership schools.

As a successful and long established SCITT - we have excellent working relationships with a range of Partnership schools across the Bedfordshire area and in the case of School Direct we work collaboratively with our lead schools of **Robert Bloomfield Academy**, **St Thomas More Catholic Teaching School** and **Ashcroft High School** in order to deliver high quality school based training which offers our trainees access to practical experience as well as achieving academic recognition in the form of the PGCE award and credit toward a Masters qualification.



About This Training Programme



All of our courses operate over one academic year and are full time training programmes. The main strength of our training provision is that we are small enough to treat every trainee as an individual and as such we are able to tailor the training experience to meet individual requirements.

All trainees will be allocated a base school placement which is appropriate to the age phase in which they wish to train as well as a shorter complementary placement – which enables trainees to gain experience of teaching in two separate school settings. During this time all trainees will be allocated a specific mentor who will oversee their training and development.

Subject Knowledge & Professional Studies Lecture Programmes

Underpinning the practical element of our courses, all trainees attend the weekly Developing Professional Practice (DPP) and Subject Application lectures which take place at the end of the school day. These lectures address the Standards for QTS and Subject knowledge for Teaching and will involve assessment through assignments and assessed seminars.

What we are looking for:

- Applicants will ideally have previous experience of working with young people which may or may not have been gained in a school environment.
- Applicants should be able to demonstrate a genuine interest in and understanding of young people as well as knowledge of the current issues effecting education and the National Curriculum

Entry Requirements

We welcome applications from all suitably qualified Graduates – you will need:

- GCSE English & Maths at grade C or above
- GCSE Science at grade C or above *(for Primary routes only)*
- A degree
- A minimum of two weeks classroom experience
- Salaried School Direct applicants will require ideally around three years previous careers experience
- All applicants are required to pass the Professional Skills Tests in Literacy and Numeracy prior to commencing any teacher training programme *(see Department of Education website for further details)*
- Satisfactory DBS Clearance – all applicants will be required to undergo a Disclosure & Barring Service check

How we Select our Trainees

Applications received by The Bedfordshire Schools' Training Partnership are subject to initial shortlisting by the relevant Subject Leader. Shortlisted candidates are then invited to attend an interview which consists additionally of a practical classroom based exercise as well as basic literacy & numeracy testing. Successful candidates are then informed of the outcome within seven days of the interview date.

Where the application is for a Schools Direct Salaried training place - applicants will be required to attend a second interview with their placement school

All PGCE courses will be subject to Tuition Fees of £9000. Eligible applicants will not be required to pay anything in advance and can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan from the Student Loans Company in order to cover the cost of these fees. This loan will then not become repayable until after you have completed the course and then not until you are earning above £21,000. Any loan which remains outstanding after thirty years will be written off.

Applicants completing a Tuition Fee course may also qualify for a non-repayable tax free bursary depending upon the subject area in which they are training and their degree classification - please see the Department for Education website for further details.

Fees & Bursaries

BURSARIES 2016/2017	SCHOLARSHIPS	TRAINEE With 1st/PhD	2:1/MASTERS	2:2	OTHER
Physics	£30,000	£30,000	£25,000	£25,000	£9,000
Maths	£25,000	£25,000	£25,000	£25,000	£9,000
Chemistry/Computing	£25,000	£25,000	£20,000	£20,000	£0
Languages	-	£25,000	£25,000	£20,000	£0
Biology	-	£20,000	£15,000	£15,000	£0
Geography	-	£15,000	£15,000	£15,000	£0
DT	-	£12,000	£9,000	£0	£0
English/History/RE/Music	-	£9,000	£4,000	£0	£0
Primary Maths	-	£6,000	£6,000	£6,000	£3,000
Primary	-	£3,000	£3,000	£0	£0

How to Apply to Us

If you meet the entry requirements for our teacher training programmes please apply to us directly via the UCAS Teacher Training website using the following link:

www.ucas.com/apply/teacher-training

We offer three separate routes to gaining QTS – all of which are school centred and are as follows:

CORE PGCE | Our Core PGCE courses are recruited to and operated directly by **The Bedfordshire Schools Training Partnership** – Institution Code **B31**

This programme offers a university validated PGCE qualification as well as QTS and is available in the following subjects:

CHEMISTRY • COMPUTER SCIENCE • MATHS • MFL • PHYSICS • BIOLOGY
DT • ENGLISH • GEOGRAPHY • HISTORY • DRAMA • RS • PRIMARY

SCHOOL DIRECT (TUITION FEE) | In addition to our Core PGCE programmes we also work in Partnership with three separate Lead Schools in order to deliver quality school centred teacher training in response to the recruitment needs of local schools. The training provision for these courses is provided and accredited by **The Bedfordshire Schools Training Partnership** and will, upon successful completion, result in the awards of QTS and a university validated PGCE qualification.

In order to apply for these routes please choose which Lead School you would like to apply to* using the following Institution codes:

Robert Bloomfield Academy, Shefford: 1CV

St Thomas More Catholic Teaching School, Bedford: 1T2

Ashcroft High school, Luton: 1JG

The subject areas available on the School Direct Tuition fee programme via **Robert Bloomfield Academy & St Thomas More Catholic Teaching School** are as with our Core PGCE places, apart from RS but including Music, Art & Primary with Maths.

The School Direct Tuition Fee courses via the **Lead School of Ashcroft High School** in Luton are available in the following subjects:

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY (Including Textiles & Food Technology) • GEOGRAPHY • HISTORY

SCHOOL DIRECT (SALARIED) | We have a small number of Salaried School Direct places available in partnership with our Lead Schools. Applications for these places will be welcomed from high calibre graduates with ideally around three years previous careers experience. This is a one academic year training programme, during which you will be employed by your main placement school for the duration of your training with a view to offering ongoing employment upon successful completion of the course. This is a demanding but rewarding route to QTS, which offers a salary whilst training and is available in the following subjects:

CHEMISTRY • DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY (Including Textiles & Food Technology) • PRIMARY
BIOLOGY • ENGLISH
MATHS • GEOGRAPHY

If you have any questions regarding the application procedure for any of our training programmes then please do not hesitate to contact us in the SCITT office on **01462 817445** or email **Cathy (Secondary) cathy@bedsscitt.org.uk** and **Lorna (Primary) lorna@bedsscitt.org.uk**

**Please note that school placements for this programme will not necessarily be based at the Lead School, but may be based at other Partnership schools in the Bedfordshire area.*

