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What will we cover today

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Why train to teach?

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Teachers don't just have an influence on the child they teach, but also the adult they become.

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The rewards of teaching

- Go home each day knowing you've made a difference.
- Use your passion for your subject to inspire them.
- Make a difference in your community.
- A career where no two days are the same.

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The rewards of teaching

- New teachers start on a minimum salary of £25k-£32k, depending on location.
- 94% of newly qualified teachers are employed in a teaching role six months after qualifying.
- Enjoy the flexibility of school holidays, unique to the profession.
- As a trainee teacher you'll get great support, including a mentor to build your confidence.



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Financial support

There are three types of funding available for teacher training - depending on your circumstances, you could receive all three:

Tax-free bursary
or scholarship.

Tuition Fee Loan
and Maintenance
Loan.

Extra financial
support if you're
a parent, have an
adult dependant
or a disability.

Or you could earn a salary while you train when taking a Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship, School Direct (salaried) course or Teach First course.

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The financial offer 2021/22

Subject	Bursary	Scholarship
Chemistry	£24,000	£26,000
Computing	£24,000	£26,000
Maths	£24,000	£26,000
Physics	£24,000	£26,000
Classics	£10,000	-
Languages	£10,000	-
Biology	£7,000	-



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How can I train to teach?

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Teacher training courses

- Usually take a year full-time to complete.
- Include plenty of classroom experience in at least two schools – a minimum of 24 weeks of school experience.
- Offer training to meet the Teachers' Standards, which will include classroom management and making your subject accessible to your pupils
- Provide expert academic and practical guidance from mentors and tutors who are there to help you succeed.
- In addition to qualified teacher status (QTS) most courses will also offer a post graduate certificate in education (PGCE).



Finding the right teacher training course

- Use the search tool on the Get Into Teaching website to find available courses.
- You can find out more about individual course providers in more detail via their websites.
- Or visit local providers in the exhibition area after the presentation.



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What do I need to train to teach?

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Minimum entry requirements

GCSE grade C/grade 4
(or standard equivalent)
in maths and English -
and a science subject if
you want to teach
primary.

A UK undergraduate
degree or a recognised
equivalent qualification.

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Subject knowledge enhancement (SKE)

SKE courses top up or refresh your existing subject knowledge and last between 8-28 weeks.

These fully funded courses are available if:

- your degree wasn't in your chosen subject, but is closely related
- you studied the subject at A level, but not at degree level
- you have an unrelated degree, but relevant professional experience in the subject
- it's been some time since you used your degree knowledge

SKE courses for candidates starting Initial Teacher Training (ITT) in 2021/22 will not be available at the start of the recruitment cycle from 1 October 2020.

The approach to SKEs will be confirmed following completion of the government's Spending Review.

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School experience

Getting classroom experience can help you to decide whether teaching is right for you - it could also strengthen your application.

Talk to
teachers about
day-to-day
school life.

Observe
teaching and
pastoral work.

Watch a range
of lessons and
age groups
being taught.

Remember to keep a reflective diary with you.
Write about your observations. This information will
be useful for your personal statement.

Search: Get school experience service on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk)

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How and when to apply

- The application round for teacher training courses starting from September 2021 is open.
- Apply early, as course providers will fill their places with suitable candidates on a first-come, first-served basis.
- You can apply via UCAS or by using a new GOV.UK service called Apply for teacher training.

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Personal statement

Your personal statement should convey energy, enthusiasm and a passion for teaching.

- Explain your reasons for wanting to teach – and, more specifically, why you'll enjoy teaching your chosen subject and/or age group.
- What qualities do you have that will work well in the classroom – communication, organisation and creativity are all important skills.
- What have you learnt during any school experience placements and how this has influenced your application?
- Explain how previous studies and work experience relate to your chosen subject or age group.



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References

You will need to provide two references to complete your application.

Choose individuals who know you well enough to highlight your potential as a teacher.

To avoid delays contact your referees in advance and ask if they can reply to the request as promptly as possible.

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Your interview

- Make sure you research the course and the school or university that will be leading your training.
- Use the internet to research current policies and practices in education and teaching in general.
- Think about your reason for wanting to get into teaching and how you can make a difference as a teacher.

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Advice and support

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Teacher Training Advisers

A free service that provides you with additional support when preparing and applying for teacher training.

A dedicated adviser who is an experienced teacher and knows the teacher training process inside out.

Help arranging school experience.

Practical advice and guidance at each stage of your application, from writing your personal statement to preparing for interviews.

Information about any financial support you may be entitled to.

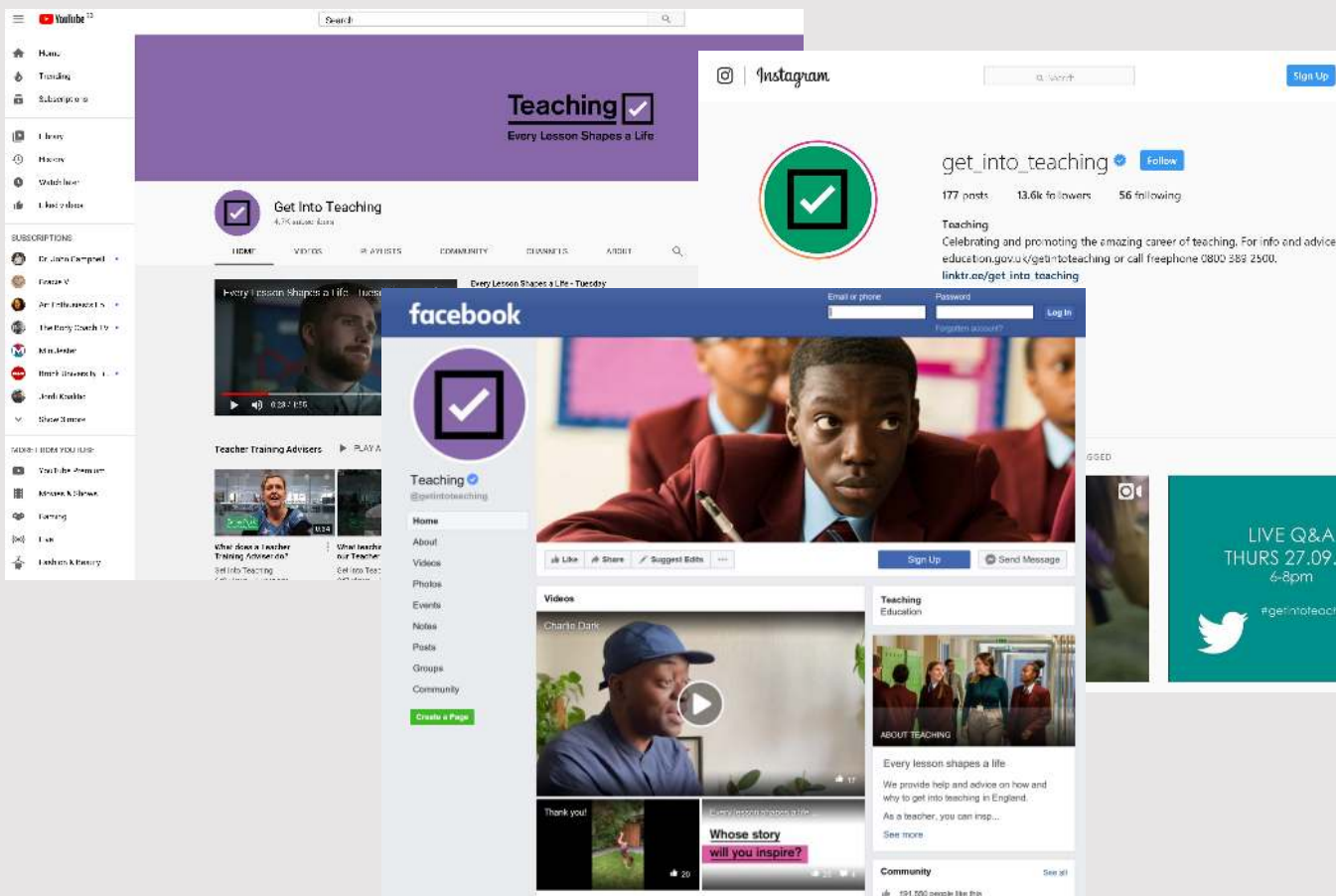
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One-to-one tailored advice

Help arranging school experience

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