

AA Teamworks West Yorkshire SCITT



Initial Teacher Training 2020-21



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WHO ARE WE?

AA Teamworks West Yorkshire School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) is a high-quality training programme, offering trainees the opportunity to learn from an established Initial Teacher Education partnership. The partnership is made up of Primary schools across Calderdale, Kirklees, Bradford, Leeds and Oldham specialising in the training of Early Years 3-7 teachers and Primary 5-11 teachers, and Secondary schools offering Art, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, D.T., English, Geography, History, Maths. MFL, Music, P.E., Physics & R.E.

WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

We are first and foremost looking for potential! This is a training programme so we do not expect you to be the finished article, but we are looking for people who are committed to teaching as a career. We are looking for highly motivated, reflective, creative individuals who are invested in improving the lives of children. You need to ensure that you have met the application criteria; GCSE Maths & English at grade C/4 or above for both primary and secondary and GCSE Science at grade C/4 for primary; normally a degree of 2:2 or above and for secondary this would usually be in your chosen subject - if not, you would normally have an A Level in your subject. Please contact us if you have any questions about any of the entry requirements, we are usually able to support applicants who would like time in schools by providing you with short placements, or those who have different academic backgrounds. We also offer Subject Knowledge Enhancement routes for secondary posts, again please contact us if you would like more information about these.

OUR PROGRAMME

Our programme ensures training is of the highest quality with excellent support from our experienced tutors and mentors who are fully committed to developing future teachers. Our trainees achieve Qualified Teacher Status as well as a top-up PGCE from the University of Huddersfield.

Our ITE teaching team are committed and experienced ITE educators; we run a bespoke programme with highly personalised support for each of our trainee teachers. The training days for the programme are spread across the academic year, meeting as a group once a week for the majority of the programme. We have a full time programme leader looking after you, outstanding practitioners teaching and mentoring you and school leaders who are fully committed to your development. You are taught by a specialist team of staff including classroom teachers, school leaders, SENCos, examiners and Specialist Leaders in Education. Our programme places you in at least two partnership schools across the year and you will work across two key stages from the following: Foundation & Key Stage 1; Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2; Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 with Post-16 enhancement.

A key strength of our partnership is the diversity of the schools; your two placement schools will be contrasting and the range of children and teachers you will work with will come from across the entire partnership. This ensures you are trained to teach in all schools from the very start of your career.

WHY CHOOSE US?



RESEARCH SCHOOL

We are one of only 33 schools in the UK to be given Research School Status by the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) & the Department for Education.

The EEF is an independent charity established in 2011 that aims to improve the education of the poorest pupils in English schools by providing free, independent and evidence based resources designed to improve and boost learning.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

- You'll be trained in what is considered the most effective ways of teaching and learning according to evidence
- 'Trained by a Research School' can be on your CV for the rest of your career
- Access to the latest evidence-based practice before anyone else
- Opportunity to put the evidence into practice straight away whilst on teaching placement

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"I have chosen to train with the Teamworks SCITT as it was highly recommended by previous trainees."

Katie Whitton Primary PGCE 2017-18

"If you are interested in moving to teaching I would definitely recommend a SCITT course."

Cian Armitage Primary PGCE 2017-18

ABOUT THE COURSES

WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT?

Our vision is to train teachers who have the knowledge, skills and understanding to make a real difference to children's life chances. We believe the best way to do that is to immerse you in experiences in schools and with teachers who are already doing that. Our courses are staffed and run in schools by current practising teachers. We pride ourselves on our support and care of our trainees; we build up your classroom experience through observation of experienced teachers, small group work and team teaching to make sure you have the confidence, skills and knowledge before we expect you to stand in front of a whole class.

5-11 PRIMARY PROGRAMME

Our primary 5-11 programme is for trainees who want to work in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. You will get a placement in one school in Years 1 or 2 and in the other school in Years, 3, 4, 5 or 6. The programme develops your ability to teach the full range of National Curriculum subjects in both key stages.

SECONDARY PROGRAMMES

We are recruiting for a range of subjects at 11-16. Our programme focuses on Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 but you will have the opportunity for a post-16 enhancement as part of the programme. Our core programme is based in Halifax, and our partner schools are in Calderdale, Leeds, Bradford, Kirklees and Oldham.

In 2020-21 we are recruiting for; Art & Design, Biology, Chemistry, Computing, Design & Technology, English, Geography, History, Maths, Modern Foreign Languages, Music, Physical Education, Physics, RE

THE TRAINING YEAR

From your first day you will be in a school, observing and meeting the class(es) that you will teach. You will train with the SCITT for two days per week to begin with, moving to one day a week before October half term.

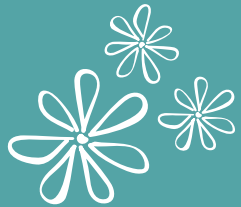
You will start your first assessed teaching placement half-way through the term.

AUTUMN



You will start your second school placement (for primary trainees this will be the school you observed in September). At this point you will be spending most of your time in school - four days of the week, with one day of classroom learning with the SCITT.

SPRING



Your placement from spring will continue into the summer, at the same school, for four days a week until Easter. At this point the training programme changes to a weekly twilight session and you will increase your teaching time to five days per week.

SUMMER



Once the training is complete (in July), our trainees achieve Qualified Teacher Status as well as a top-up PGCE from the University of Huddersfield.

GRADUATION



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HOW TO APPLY

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

- You need to ensure that you have met the DfE requirements for teaching:
- GCSE Maths & English at grade C/4 or above (for both primary and secondary)
- GCSE Science at grade C/4 (for primary)
- Usually a degree of 2:2 or above, and for secondary this is preferably in your chosen subject
- If your degree is not in your chosen subject, we would expect to see an A Level or equivalent.

APPLYING FOR OUR PROGRAMME

All our applicants must apply via UCAS. You can find our courses on the DfE 'find' service by searching for 'AA Teamworks West Yorkshire SCITT'.

Your UCAS form needs two references and this can take some time, so we recommend letting your chosen referees know in good time that you are applying. The best reference options for teacher training are one from an academic referee (usually your University tutor), and one professional reference. If you have spent some time in a school it would be good to have a reference from the class teacher or headteacher.



FUNDING

TUITION

Our programme is a postgraduate programme offering you QTS (Qualified Teacher Status) and a PGCE. The cost of the programme is £9,250 and if you are an eligible UK or EU citizen you are entitled to apply for a student loan to cover the fees for the programme. This loan is from Student Finance England and will be repayable once you are employed and earning over £25,000.

MAINTENANCE

If you are entitled to a student loan you will also be eligible to apply for a maintenance loan to support your living costs whilst training. You may also be entitled to additional support if you have children or you have a disability. For further details visit: <https://www.gov.uk/student-finance>

BURSARIES

In some secondary subjects (and Primary with Maths), bursaries are available to support your training. These vary depending on subject and your degree classification. For further information visit:

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-my-teacher-training/bursaries-and-scholarships-for-teacher-training>.

For subjects where government bursaries are not available, we are offering a £500 SCITT bursary to our students.



FAQS

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STUDYING ON A SCITT ROUTE & AT UNIVERSITY?

- We have a taught programme just like a university, but our programme is taught in school one day a week across the year, so you will spend time in a classroom every week throughout your course.
- SCITT programmes are staffed by practising classroom teachers and school leaders who are experts in their fields.
- You gain a lot more school experience as you are in at least 2 schools across the year for the whole of the training programme.
- Our courses are flexible and responsive, timetables can be altered to include extra sessions and programmes can be changed very quickly so they are bespoke to each cohort.

WHAT ARE THE SIMILARITIES BETWEEN STUDYING ON A SCITT ROUTE & AT UNIVERSITY?

- The qualification - QTS is recommended wherever you train, we also offer a PGCE as part of our programmes so all SCITT trainees receive the same qualification as those at university.
- Structurally the courses are similar as we have core training every week like a university. We also do not expect you to teach lessons in your first week, we build up your contact time as you become more confident across the year.
- All trainees have a school-based mentor who meets with them every week. SCITT staff also pay you regular visits giving you lots of support.
- Fees & Funding - for non-salaried trainees, the fees and bursaries are identical for universities & SCITTs.



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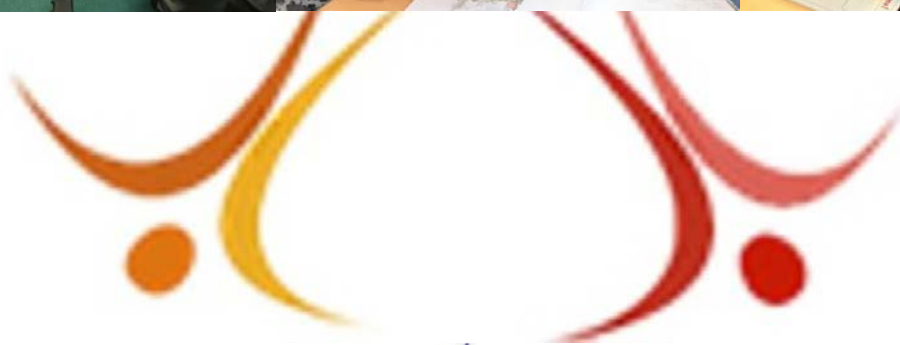
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