

# Train to Teach with US



**2026-27**

# Welcome

We are delighted that you are considering the Alban Teaching School Hub for teacher training. We have been training teachers in Hertfordshire since 2004 and have built an excellent reputation with our partner schools and are seen as the provider of choice for many. We work in partnership with the National Institute of Teaching providing personalised, school-based training routes with training which is research informed

Over the next few pages you will find the details of our many training programmes.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate in getting in touch.

We look forward to working with you.



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# Teacher training - an overview

The Teacher Training Programme at Alban Teaching School hub embraces various routes into the teaching profession through our partnership with the National Institute of Teaching. Our training is a fully immersive school-centred programme – aspiring teachers will be in the classroom from the very start. However full immersion does not mean that you will be thrown in the deep end: our trainees are mentored and have central training once a week. And you'll have the confidence of knowing that you are participating in a research-informed programme that was designed by some of the most experienced teachers and leaders in the country.

We also know from experience what headteachers look for in new teachers – so we will ensure that you develop the skills necessary for finding an Early Career Teacher role.



# Our Programmes

Our innovative programme offers different teacher training pathways, including fee-paying, salaried, and the Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship (PGTA), fostering a rich and inclusive environment for aspiring teachers. Our offer includes full and part-time routes.

All our courses lead to Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) - the professional standard that recognises a person as qualified to teach in state-maintained schools; as well as a Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCE), an internationally recognised, Master's level academic qualification focused on the theory, pedagogy, and research of teaching and learning.

For our PGTA course, the PGCE is optional and subject to an additional fee for candidates.



# Our courses

## Primary

- Age 3-7
- Age 5-11

## Secondary

- Art and Design
- Biology
- Computing
- Chemistry
- Design Technology
- Drama
- English
- Geography
- History
- Languages - French or Spanish
- Maths
- Music
- PE
- Physics
- RE



# Our curriculum

The NlOT Initial Teacher Education (ITE) course is designed to enable you to produce teachers of highest quality to successfully meet the Teachers' Standards required to achieve Qualified Teacher Status (QTS).

The Curriculum covers all aspects of a trainee or apprentice's first year of initial teacher education: Core Training, school-based training and self-study.

There are 6 strands in our Curriculum which are equally weighted and align with the Teaching Standards.

They are:

- Subject and Curriculum Knowledge
- Planning and Teaching
- Behaviour and Relationships
- How Learners Learn
- Assessment and Responsive Teaching
- Professional Behaviours



# Course delivery

Core training takes each Thursday from 9.15-4pm at Crabtree Juniors, Harpenden for Primary trainees and at Sandringham school, St Albans for Secondary trainees.

To support subject knowledge development, there are 14 subject specific days for primary trainees and 10 for secondary. These are delivered both online and in-person in schools across our region with subject expert facilitators.

Those on the apprenticeship programme follow whichever programme is applicable e.g. an apprentice on the 3-7 programme will follow the 3-7 training.



# Assessment

## QTS

Assessment is ongoing throughout the year, and includes observation of your practice and evidence of your success from mentors, Alban ITT staff and yourself. Trainees are assessed against the NIoT ITT curriculum as the year progresses, and against the Teachers' Standards at the end of the programme.

## PGCE

Assessment is by three master's level assignments, which are both academically robust and grounded in your day-to-day practice. There are two 3000 word assignments due at the end of the Autumn and Spring term with the final assignment being a presentation which takes place towards the end of the summer term.



# Funding

## Fee paying - no salary

- Our tuition fees for our teacher training programmes are set in line with government policy and currently stand at £9,535 for full-time study. Student finance and maintenance loans will be available.
- The cost of training to teach part-time is £7,145 for year one and then another £7,145 pro rata according to how much of the second year is needed. Student finance and maintenance loans will be available.
- Tax-free bursaries and scholarships are available from the DfE, for some secondary subjects

## Apprenticeship route

- If a school pays the apprenticeship levy, then the cost of the apprenticeship can be covered by the levy.
- Apprentices are paid a salary of UQ1 by their school and are not eligible to apply for further support from student finance.
- An apprentice who wishes to complete the PGCE is required to pay £1200

## Salaried route:

- Salaried trainees are paid a salary of UQ1 by their school and are not eligible for further support from student finance.
- The school is required to pay the course fees of £9535.



# How to apply

## Check your eligibility

This includes:

- The right to work in the UK
- An appropriate undergraduate (bachelor's) degree or equivalent, with a grade of 2:2 or higher
- GCSE at grade C/4 or equivalent in both English and Mathematics. If you are training to teach Primary, you also need a GCSE at grade C/4 in Science

## Pick your route and subject

## Review fees and funding

## Submit your application

- You will need to submit your application via the Department for Education website - apply for teacher training
- Our provider code is 1MN - NIOT@Alban TSH



# Train to Teach Events

Join us at one of our online events

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 4pm** - [Online meeting link](#)

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 4.30pm.** - [Online meeting link](#)

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 6pm** - [Link to follow](#)

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm** - [Online meeting link](#)

