

# Funding for postgraduate teacher training

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## **Please note information relates to 2021/22**

Students on postgraduate teacher training programmes such as PGCE, either at a University or School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT), or on the non-salaried Schools Direct programme will be liable for tuition fees but may be eligible for a bursary. Further details below:

Your tuition fees and any other bursary or financial support depend on your status as a home, European Union (EU) or overseas student. All grants and bursaries are subject to conditions and you are not guaranteed funding, but you may be eligible for financial support.

## **Tuition Fee loans**

If you are on a postgraduate Initial Teacher Training Course (ITT) course, you will have to pay tuition fees. Tuition fees vary depending on the course and provider. Currently the tuition fee for UW and most other University and Learn Direct providers is £9250 subject to parliamentary approval, although you should always check with each institution. Home and EU students may be eligible for a tuition fee loan to cover the cost of tuition fees charged. This is available through Student Finance England.

## **Training Bursaries and Scholarships**

A bursary or scholarship may be available to trainees on a fee-based teacher training course in England that leads to the award of qualified teacher status. Availability is dependent on the highest relevant academic award and the chosen subject that a candidate wishes to teach.

Bursaries may be available to graduates who have achieved a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:1, 2:2, Masters or PhD qualification.

To apply for a scholarship, typically candidates who have achieved a 2:1, 1<sup>st</sup> or Masters/PhD qualification will be considered. There are only a limited number of scholarships available, and there is a rigorous process involved in assessing whether a candidate will be awarded a scholarship. This typically involves undergoing an interview process with testing.

## Financial incentives for postgraduate non-salaried teacher training courses in 2021/22 by subject:

	Scholarship	Bursaries Trainee with 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2:1, 2:2, Masters or PhD
<b>Chemistry</b>	£26,000	£24,000
<b>Computing</b>	£26,000	£24,000
<b>Maths</b>	£26,000	£24,000
<b>Physics</b>	£26,000	£24,000
<b>Classics</b>	-	£10,000
<b>Languages</b>	-	£10,000
<b>Biology</b>	-	£7,000

- Bursaries and scholarships are available to trainees on a tuition fee-based teacher training course in England that leads to the award of qualified teacher status.
- Availability is dependent on your highest relevant academic award and the subject in which you are training to teach.
- To receive a bursary or scholarship you must be entitled to support under the Student Finance England criteria. Both elements will be assessed by your teacher training provider.
- Scholarships and bursaries are non-repayable upon completion of the training course. If, however, you left the course part way through further payments would cease at that point.
- Trainees in chemistry, computing, maths and physics are able to apply for a teacher training scholarship with the appropriate professional body. Each of the professional scholarship bodies sets its own eligibility criteria - find out more on the dedicated Scholarship pages at <https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-and-salary/overview/scholarships>
- Scholarships are awarded in place of a bursary.
- Bursaries are available for trainee teachers in modern foreign languages. The core modern foreign languages are French, German and Spanish. Bursaries are also available for other modern, community or ancient languages. A full list of eligible languages can be found via <https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-and-salary/overview>

Students who are interested in finding out more about the funding options for their chosen subject are advised to have a look at the following information via the Get Into Teaching website:

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-and-salary/overview/funding-by-subject>

Following the EU Referendum result, EU nationals are advised to check eligibility for a tuition fee loan, bursaries and scholarships via <https://www.gov.uk/student-finance/eu-students>

## Other sources of funding

### Tuition Fee Loan

Tuition fees will vary depending on the course you are on and the training provider. For more information on the fees, you are advised to contact the higher education institution or SCITT provider of the course you are interested in.

You may be eligible for a tuition fee loan to cover the cost of tuition fees, check [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) for more details.

Tuition fees won't need to be paid up front.

### School Direct Salaried scheme

A number of schools offer School Direct salaried schemes. To be eligible for this teacher training route, applicants must have at least 3 year's transferable work experience. Trainees are recruited and employed directly by schools, and may continue teaching in the school following training. The training via a salaried route will award QTS, and the cost of this is covered by the school. Students will be paid and taxed as an unqualified teacher. Salaries will vary depending the school.

For more information about this training route and eligibility, potential applicants should visit <https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/explore-my-options/teacher-training-routes/school-led-training/school-direct-salaried>

### Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship

This programme offers a combination of classroom teaching, practical learning and a salary. Students receive a combination of classroom teaching and 20% of the time is allocated to off-the-job training as students work towards qualified teacher status (QTS). Students are expected to undertake an end-point assessment (EPA) in the final term to ensure they are on-track to become an effective teacher.

**For further information about teacher training routes and funding please visit**

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/>

If you would like to book a careers appointment, please visit:

<https://worchester.targetconnect.net>

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Leaflet updated 21/10/20 - The information provided is intended as a guideline only. Funding for teacher training may be subject to change. Potential applicants should always research and check eligibility for funding for teacher training via Get Into Teaching or with the teacher training provider)