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Star Teachers

# POSTGRADUATE TEACHING APPRENTICESHIP

A successful school is dependent on the skills, aptitude and enthusiasm of the whole staff team. It is key that all employees have the opportunity to develop and support pupils to achieve their full potential. Are you ready to take the next step and qualify as a teacher? If so Star Institute Teaching Apprenticeship can provide an outstanding pathway to QTS.

Star Institute School Centred Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship is a qualification aimed at staff already working in education who aspire to become a teacher. This pathway will enable you to work full-time whilst you train to become a teacher.

## WHO IS THE PROGRAMME FOR?

The Teaching Apprenticeship is an attractive option for school employees (eg. HLTAs) to become qualified teachers.

The programme leads to Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) with the optional award of a PGCE at Masters' level. Apprentices can specialise in primary (3-7, 5-11) or a specific subject at secondary level (11-16). Star Teachers currently offers the following secondary subjects: mathematics, physics, biology, chemistry, English, history, geography, computer science, modern foreign languages and religious education.

## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Teaching Apprenticeship enables you to continue to work in your school whilst training to become a teacher. You will be released each Friday to engage in centre-based training and will complete a contrasting six-week placement in the Spring term. At Star Institute, we understand what outstanding teaching looks like and how to help teachers get there whatever their starting point. The Apprenticeship programme has been built to offer:

- Personalisation and progression - a tailored programme designed to systematically develop your pedagogical toolkit
- World class people - support and input from practitioners who are highly acclaimed national and international authorities in their subjects and specialist areas
- Strong subject knowledge - a structured taught course combining the theory of teaching and learning and deep subject knowledge with the methodology for practical application in the classroom
- A focus on teaching character - a whole child-centred approach that develops the skills that will nurture character traits, attributes and behaviours that underpin pupils' success in school, work and modern Britain
- Career pathway planning - personalised support to secure employment and begin a journey of continuous professional development.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Teaching Apprentices must have support from their employing school. You must possess a good degree (typically 2.2 or above). For secondary apprentices, this should normally be relevant to the subject you wish to teach, but A-level subjects in your chosen area will be considered. Subject Knowledge Enhancement courses are available. You will also need level 4 (formally grade C) or above in GCSE English and maths. Primary trainees will need a level 4 or above in GCSE science. All trainees must pass the QTS Professional Skills Tests prior to starting the programme.

## DURATION

The Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship is completed over four terms. The apprenticeship will commence in September and the apprentice will work and train towards gaining QTS in July of the following year. The teacher will continue to develop as a NQT in term four when a final apprenticeship assessment will take place.

## APPLY

Applications to Star Teaching Apprenticeship are made through the UCAS Teacher Training portal.

## COSTS

The cost of the programme is paid from the employers apprenticeship levy. The apprentice must be paid on UQ1 for the duration of the first three terms of the apprentice and M1 for the final term. The additional cost of the PGCE would need to be funded by the school or the apprentice.

## FIND OUT MORE

If you're thinking of applying to Star Teachers Postgraduate Apprenticeship Programme, but would like more information, contact us for an informal discussion.

To find out more email [info@starinstitute.org.uk](mailto:info@starinstitute.org.uk) or call **0330 313 9870**.

You can also follow us on twitter [@Star\\_Inst](https://twitter.com/Star_Inst) where we will advertise events and information sessions.



## STAR INSTITUTE

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