

KMT Key training provision checklist

Pre-Course Observation

- Minimum of 10 days of work experience in secondary schools to observe lessons in and outside of your subject area.
- If this is not possible, the observation period is built in your school induction at the beginning of September for non-salaried trainees.
- Minimum of the equivalent of two days of observation in a primary school to have a better understanding of how your subject is being approached at KS2 and also to observe Literacy and Numeracy lessons.

The KMT's period of induction

- You attend your "Home School" at the same time as any member of staff when the academic year starts.
- You will receive your induction from the "Home School" and KMT.
- The KMT induction dates are to be confirmed but it usually takes place over 3 days.

Travel arrangements between home, KMT and schools

- Make sure that you look at the travel implications of training in your chosen school especially if you are dependent on public transport.
- You are timetabled 4 days a week until Easter (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday).
- Salaried trainees are timetabled on Thursday mornings as well (4 and a half days).
- After Easter, you are timetabled 5 days a week.
- Travel will be taken into consideration when organising your B Placement which usually takes place between February and March.

School and KMT Professional Studies, Subject Studies

- As previously mentioned, non-salaried trainees will not be expected to attend schools on Thursday mornings.
- You can decide to work on your KMT work, plan your lessons or simply recharge your batteries!
- On Thursday afternoons, training with KMT takes place.
- Training is delivered through Professional and Subject Studies
- Professional Studies are for all secondary trainees regardless of the subject they teach. They take place at your local KMT centre for 2 hours between 1.30 pm and 4 pm.
- Subject specialist training is delivered through Subject Studies. The sessions are 2 hours long between 1.30 pm and 5.30 pm.
- Sessions can be delivered remotely or face to face.
- If the sessions are delivered face to face, be prepared to travel to any of our partner schools to attend your subject studies sessions (Medway, Maidstone, West Kent, Dartford, Gravesham).
- Professional and Subject Studies programmes are published in advance so you can organise yourself.

Awareness of teaching commitments and length of a typical day

- Your training year is a busy year as schools and KMT have expectations.
- Being organised and managing your time well will be key.
- We will support you to manage your workload but we can't make it disappear.
- There is an expectation that you attend after school events such as parents' evenings.

Finance

- KMT tuition fees are £7,100 for QTS (Qualified Teacher Status) only.
- Bursaries are awarded for some subjects and depend on your degree classification.
- If you are receiving a bursary, it will be paid in 10 equal monthly instalments starting from October.
- It is usually paid the first week of each month.
- You do not have to apply for your bursary, it will be triggered by KMT as soon as you start your course and we enter you to our database.
- You have to apply to student finance for a loan if you are not paying your fees privately.
- It is your responsibility to check you can access UK funding and a student loan.
- Tuition fees for salaried trainees are paid by their "Home School".

Please see bursaries info sheets below

PGCE top up course with Leeds Beckett University

- We offer a PGCE (**Professional Graduate Certificate in Education**) in Partnership with Leeds Beckett University.
- This is a distance learning course that can be done alongside your training with KMT, your NQT or NQT+1 year.
- This is a Level 7 PGCE with 60 Masters credits
- You need to register with them directly and their tuition fees are £1,950 if paying through student finance and £2067 if you are paying independently (subject to change).
- Information on how to register will be sent to you as part of your offer pack.
- KMT and Leeds Beckett University cannot guarantee that the PGCE qualification is accepted by all countries and if you are wishing to teach abroad in the future you should check with the country's requirements first.
- You need to be aware that there will be financial consequences if you decide to withdraw from the PGCE after starting it.

Subject Knowledge Enhancement courses

SKE is offered in the following subjects:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computing
- DT
- English
- MFL (Spanish, French, German)
- Maths
- Physics
- RE

SKE can be from 8 weeks to 28 weeks

Applicants may need more specific subject knowledge to begin an ITT course if they have:

- A degree that's related to the subject rather than an exact match for it
- Studied the subject at A level, but not degree level
- An unrelated degree but relevant professional knowledge in the subject
- Studied for a language's degree, but need a second language at an acceptable level for teaching in schools
- A degree in the subject but have not used their degree knowledge for many years

Applicants who have a degree in their chosen ITT subject awarded in the previous 5 years are not eligible for a funded SKE course.

- All SKE course are full time
- Our SKE courses will be provided by Vidlearn
- Can be completed before or alongside the ITT courses
- Courses will be offered as online learning

Funding is available for Physics SKE programme costs and training bursaries from January 2021.

For all other SKE courses in the 2020 to 2021 academic year, funding will be available from April 2021.

For all SKE courses in the 2020 to 2021 academic year: the candidate will receive £175 per week. Those with a degree pending will receive their bursary once they receive their Degree Classification and provide Vidlearn with the evidence.

The SKE will be free for those with a Third Class or Ordinary Degree but they will not be entitled to the bursary. Weekly sessions are expected to be a minimum of 25 hours study.

Subject knowledge development

- It is your responsibility to make sure that you have the required subject knowledge to teach.
- You need to identify your areas for development and work on them independently.
- If you need support, a team of specialists are available to help you and answer the specific questions you might have.

Conditions to offers

- If you are successful at your interview, you will be made a conditional offer.
- The usual conditions are:
 1. A satisfactory DBS (no conviction) at the start of your training. **All DBS for non-salaried trainees are to be completed by KMT in June and July. It is your responsibility to pay for DBS portability service. Salaried trainees' DBS is the responsibility of the employing school (results, issue date and DBS number are to be shared with KMT).**
 2. Bring the originals of your documents to your Hub office if you accept the offer.
 3. Complete 3 pre-course tasks: one specific to the subject you teach (usually a past GCSE exam paper), one Literacy audit and one Numeracy audit. Those tasks will help you and us to identify gaps in your knowledge. All teachers, regardless of the subject they teach, need to show that they are competent in literacy and numeracy. **If gaps are identified then they will need to be addressed during the training year in order to gain QTS.**

Probation period

- If you are unable to visit schools due to school policies or government restrictions, we may need to incorporate a one-month probationary period at the start of the academic year.
- Attendance with Student Finance England will only be confirmed after successfully passing your probation period.
- Bursary payments will be released after successfully passing your probation period.

Finance Information 2021/22

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-my-teacher-training>

The financial offer for 2021/22¹

Subject	Bursary ²	Scholarship ³
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	-

1. 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. Residents of Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland will need to be entitled for support as set out by your country's student finance body (Student Finance Wales, Student Awards Agency Scotland or Student Finance NI). Both elements will be assessed by your teacher training provider. Candidates with overseas degrees may be asked to formally recognise any overseas qualifications through UK NARIC. We can help you with this. Contact us on 0800 389 2500 and we can provide you with guidance on your equivalent qualifications and a free UK NARIC statement of comparability (this usually costs £49.50 plus VAT) once you've submitted your application to teacher training, if required by your training provider.
2. Bursaries are available to trainees with a first, 2:1, 2:2, Master's or PhD.
3. Trainees in chemistry, computing, maths and physics are able to apply for a teacher training scholarship with the appropriate professional body. Scholarships are awarded in place of a bursary. Each of the professional scholarship bodies sets its own eligibility criteria - find out more on the dedicated [scholarship pages](#). Scholarships are awarded in place of a bursary.

Scholarships

If you're passionate about your subject and have the potential to be an inspirational teacher you could apply for a scholarship to support your training. Scholarships are awarded to the most gifted trainees in chemistry, computing, maths and physics in partnership with highly regarded professional subject associations.

As well as financial support, as a scholar you'll enjoy a range of prestigious benefits, including:

- free membership from the professional subject associations awarding the scholarship
- access to resources and events to support you through your training
- support to improve your teacher practice and subject knowledge
- networking opportunities from a community of like-minded scholars

Eligibility

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- **chemistry:** Royal Society of Chemistry
- **computing:** BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT
- **maths:** Mathematics Teacher Training Scholarships
- **physics:** Institute of Physics scholarships

If you're not successful in your application for a scholarship, and secured a place on a qualifying teacher training course in England, you'll still receive the standard bursary – [find out more about bursaries](#).

Tuition Fee and Maintenance Loans

Overview

- a Tuition Fee Loan is available to cover course costs – if you take one out, you don't have to pay your course costs upfront
- a Maintenance Loan is available to help with living costs
- it doesn't matter if you already have a student loan – you can still apply for both these loans to support your teacher training
- you will only start making repayments when you earn over the threshold
- if you have a student loan already, taking out a further loan for your teacher training will not see your monthly repayments increase

In detail

Tuition Fee Loan

- full cost of **course fees of up to £9,250**

When you start your non-salaried teacher training, you won't have to pay the cost of tuition fees up front. You can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan to cover the full cost of your course, which is paid directly to your training provider from Student Finance England. Tuition Fee Loans aren't means tested, so regardless of your household income you should be able to claim the full amount for your course fees.

Maintenance Loan

- up to £12,010 **Maintenance Loan** for living costs

All eligible trainees will qualify for at least the minimum loan amount for their living costs, regardless of household income. If you're on a full-time teacher training course and live in London this will be £5,981. Outside of London it will be £4,289 or £3,410 if you're living at home.

You can use the [student finance calculator](#) to estimate Tuition Fee and Maintenance Loans and extra funding that may be available, for instance Parents' Learning Allowance or Childcare Grants. Please note the calculator is for trainees intending to train in 2020/21.

How to apply

Once you've accepted your place on a non-salaried teacher training course, you can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan and a Maintenance Loan via [Student Finance England \(SFE\)](#).

Loan repayments

Your loan repayments depend on how much you earn – not on how much you have borrowed.

If you do not already have a student loan, or you took one out on or after 1 September 2012, you are only required to make repayments when you are earning over £26,575. Your repayments will not increase if you take out a loan for teacher training.

If you took out a student loan before 1 September 2012, you are only required to make repayments when you are earning over £19,390. Your repayments will not increase if you take out a loan for teacher training.

The table below shows your monthly repayments if you've no previous student loan or if you have a loan taken out from 2012 or later. If you have a student loan from before 2012, your monthly repayments will be different from the below.

Extra financial support

There's extra financial support available if you're a parent, have an adult dependant or a disability. The support listed here doesn't have to be paid back. To find out more on the other options to fund your training, visit the [funding my training page](#).

If you have children, a disability or an adult dependant, you could get:

- 85% of childcare costs of up to £174.22 a week (1 child) or up to £298.69 a week (2 or more children) [Childcare Grant](#)
- up to £1,766 per year [Parents' Learning Allowance](#)
- [Universal Credit](#)
- [Disabled Students' Allowance](#)
- up to £3,094 per year [Adult Dependents' Grant](#)

You can use the [student finance calculator](#) to estimate the extra funding that may be available to you, including [Tuition Fee and Maintenance Loans](#).

How to apply

Once you've accepted your place on a non-salaried teacher training course, you can apply for Parents' Learning Allowance, Disabled Students' Allowance, Childcare Grants and Adult Dependants' Grant online via **Student Finance England** (SFE). SFE is also where you'll need to apply online for **Tuition Fee and Maintenance Loans**.

Child Tax Credits are claimed by ordering a tax credits claim form via **GOV.UK**.

Residents of Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland will need to apply for this support via your country's student finance body (Student Finance Wales, Student Awards Agency Scotland or Student Finance NI).