

Get into Teaching

Thinking about teaching watch this [Teaching - Your Future / Their Future](#)

There are two main routes into training.

School-led Training (School Direct)

If you want your training to be based in a school where you can be fully immersed in the life of a teacher from day one, a school-led training course is for you. You're selected by the school and are based there during your training. You will also spend time in at least one other school to gain the broad experience required to become a qualified teacher.

All school-led courses cover the practical and theoretical elements of teaching, often with university partners. Most school-led courses lead to a postgraduate certificate in education (PGCE) and/or master's-level credits, in addition to qualified teacher status (QTS).

If you have been working for around three years or more and like the idea of School Direct, but want to earn a salary, [School Direct \(salaried\)](#) is available exclusively for you.

University-led Training (PGCE)

Universities offer teacher training courses for both graduates and undergraduates. Universities work with groups of schools to offer at least two school experience placements as part of your training. Bexhill Academy works with Sussex <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/education/ite/pgcesecondary> and Brighton universities <http://about.brighton.ac.uk/education/>

If you want your teacher training to be based at a university, this is the option for you. A PGCE is available through all university-led training.

Subject Knowledge Enhancement (SKE)

If you are interested in teaching Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Computer Science or Modern Foreign Languages and have a related degree, both our partners universities offer SKEs. These are short courses to bring your subject knowledge up to scratch. Contact us and we can explain the options.

Taster Visits

If you would like to get the feel of what teaching is like today we can arrange short placements at Bexhill Academy with relevant departments at times to suit you.

What do I do next?

Bexhill Academy trains teachers through both routes. The first step is to approach a school to find out what the job entails and what course might suit you best. If you would like to take the PGCE route you must contact either Sussex or Brighton Universities. If you would like take the schools direct route you must do so through our local teaching and learning school. If you are interested please contact Bexhill Academy's professional tutor Gavin Parks via the following email address gavin.parks@bexhillacademy.org

What are the entry criteria?

- UK university degree indicated on UCAS site or a recognised equivalent qualification, relevant to your proposed subject area.
- Grade C or above in GCSE English and Mathematics. Successful candidates will have had to have passed a Functional English and Mathematics test. Primary candidates will also require at least a grade C in GCSE Science.
- You will be required to undergo an enhanced DBS check to verify your suitability for working with young people. The alliance places great emphasis on safeguarding.
- Experience of or a demonstrable commitment to working with young people.

Bursaries and Scholarships

For details of the range of funding support available, please contact DFE direct <http://www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching>.

Current Positions Available

- English schools direct
- Maths schools direct
- Chemistry schools direct- TBC

