

Which teacher training route is right for you?

There are many things you need to consider when deciding which schools and/or universities you want to apply to train with. Use the table below to find out what each postgraduate teacher training route has to offer.

	University-led training	School-led training		School-led salaried training	
	University	School-Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT)	School Direct Training Programme	School Direct (salaried)	Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship
You could get a tax-free bursary of £26k to train as a teacher*	✓	✓	✓		
Employed during training and salary paid				✓	✓
Fees payable by candidate	✓	✓	✓	**	**
Minimum of 24 weeks spent in two schools	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
In a school from day one		✓	✓	✓	✓
Ideal if you're already working at or have an existing relationship with a school				✓	✓
Awarded qualified teacher status (QTS)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Opportunity to achieve a postgraduate qualification	✓	✓***	✓***	✓***	✓***

*Bursaries are available for trainees on a non-salaried teacher training courses in England. Bursary amounts will vary depending on teaching subject and degree class. See [education.gov.uk/teachpgfunding](https://www.education.gov.uk/teachpgfunding) for further details. With or without a bursary, you could receive a tuition fee and maintenance loan to help fund your teacher training. For bursary information for courses in Wales visit [teachertrainingcymru.org](https://www.teachertrainingcymru.org)

**On the School Direct (salaried) and the Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship course, you won't pay fees to cover the cost of training to achieve qualified teacher status (QTS). However, you should enquire with the school whether you would be expected to pay for any academic qualifications, such as PGCE.

***Most school-led providers also offer the chance for you to achieve a postgraduate qualification, such as a PGCE – check with the provider before you apply.