

Initial Teacher Training (ITT) from September 2024

Overview

The NIoT (National Institute of Teaching) initial teaching training is a school centred programme. Throughout the year, trainee teachers will be in schools four days per week and one day (Thursday) will be based at Alban TSH for central training.

The course will lead to QTS, a PGCE and 60 master's level credits.

Structure of the Training Year (full time option)

Pre- Autumn term: trainees will complete a one-week 'flying start' programme at Alban TSH to ensure they have the basic tools to prepare them for entering the classroom.

Autumn term: trainees will have one main placement for the whole of this term.

Spring term: trainees will spend four weeks of this term in a contrasting school placement (second school placement).

Second half of spring term and summer term: trainees will return to their main placement school.

ITAPs (Intensive Training and Practice)

ITAPs will intensively focus on analysing evidence of pivotal aspects of teaching. The trainees will have four ITAPS over the academic year and these will be led by the central team at Alban TSH. Local schools have the opportunity to contribute to the delivery of the ITAPs as trainees will be looking to observe strong practice in the area being examined.

Assessment

For QTS: assessment is ongoing throughout the year and includes lesson observations and evidence from the trainee's mentor. Trainees are assessed against the NIOT ITT curriculum and against the Teachers' Standards at the end of the programme.

For PGCE: assessment is by three master's level assignments.

