



Southfields Academy Teaching School SCITT Accredited AOR Provider

Eligibility for the Assessment Only Route to QTS Self-checklist for candidates

Please indicate the extent to which you meet the eligibility criteria for the AOR by highlighting the statements below which apply to you.

N.B. The Teaching School Assessor will determine your suitability for the AOR based on the full details of an application and supporting evidence.

✓ as appropriate

GCSEs

- I have grade C/grade 4 GCSE in English Language (or equivalent qualification).
- I have grade C/grade 4 GCSE in Mathematics (or equivalent qualification).
- (For PE or primary) I have grade C/grade 4 GCSE in a Science (or equivalent qualification).
- (If applicable) My overseas secondary/high school qualifications have been checked by UK NARIC and found to be equivalent.

Degree(s)

- I have a Bachelor degree at Honours level (with award of 2:2 or above) or equivalent qualification.
- My degree or equivalent qualification is related to the subjects I am teaching by at least 50% (in the case of secondary teachers)
- (If applicable) I have an overseas teaching qualification.
- (If applicable) My overseas qualifications have been checked by UK NARIC and found to be equivalent.

Skills tests

- I have passed the ITT Professional skills tests in Literacy and Numeracy.

Suitability

- I have been subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service enhanced check and/or any other appropriate background check by my current/previous school.

- I have been subject to a health and physical capacity to teach check by my current/previous school.
- I can provide two referees (including the Headteacher of my current school).
- I have the support of my current school which will provide mentor support and appropriate opportunities to undertake the assessment.

Teaching experience

- I have worked as an unqualified teacher in the UK for at least **two years**. (N.B. You must have been teaching, not working as a TA, LSA or Cover Supervisor).
- I have worked as an unqualified teacher in at least **two schools**.
- I have taught the English National Curriculum.
- I have taught across an age range (either 11-16 or 14-19).
- I have taught children with a range of abilities and from differing backgrounds.
- I have taught whole classes (15 pupils+) with a timetable loading of 50%+ in both teaching experiences.
- My teaching has been assessed as at least 'Good' according to Ofsted criteria and I can provide at least 4 recent observations graded at least 'Good'.
- I have evidence of my teaching from **two schools** (e.g. lesson plans, class information, resources created, timetables, formal and informal observations).

Application

If you meet the above requirements, please complete Part 1 of the application form and pass it to the Head of your current/supporting school to complete Part 2.

If your application is successful in an initial check you will proceed to a Pre-registration visit by the Assessor.

Stage 1 – Pre-registration visit

The Assessor will interview you, your mentor and the Head of Department or Headteacher to confirm that you:

- Have the intellectual and academic capabilities needed to meet the required QTS standards;
- Possess the appropriate qualities, attitudes, ethics and values expected of a teacher;

- Have met the Secretary of State's requirements for health and physical capacity to teach.
- Can read effectively and are able to communicate clearly and accurately in Standard English;
- Can demonstrate teaching at least a 'good' Ofsted standard when observed by the Assessor;
- Are committed to produce a portfolio to meet the Teaching Standards to at least a 'good' Ofsted standard.
- Have the support of the school where you will be assessed and there are appropriate arrangements in place for the assessment.
- Will be ready for final assessment within a period of 3 months from the registration date.

£400 will be charged for this visit (whether or not you proceed to assessment).

If you successfully complete the pre-registration stage you will be registered on the route and the assessment period will begin. If a further visit is required to ensure that you are ready to be registered and start the process, an additional visit will be charged at £500.

Stage 2 – Pre-assessment visit

The Assessor will visit again to check progress with you and your mentor. Full details of the process will be provided.

£1,000 will be charged for this visit (whether or not you proceed to final assessment). If a further visit is required to ensure that you are on course for final assessment an additional visit will be charged at £500.

Stage 3 – Final assessment

You will be assessed against the QTS standards, by observation of your teaching, examination of your portfolio of evidence and interviews with you and your mentor to assess your classroom experience and your understanding of teaching and learning.

£1,000 will be charged for this visit (whether or not you are successful).

Stage 4 – Award of QTS

Only candidates who demonstrate that they meet all of the Teachers' Standards will be recommended for award of QTS.

Please see the standards at

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/665520/Teachers_Standards.pdf