

Primary PGCE (St Mary's or Roehampton)

We are delighted to offer a choice of training provider for our Core PGCE Programme for 2019—2020. This one year qualification will build your confidence in the classroom, your understanding of the wider role a teacher plays and provide you with the subject knowledge to effectively teach primary school children.

Both providers offer a 5—11 (Key Stages One and Two) Primary programme and Roehampton also offers a 3—7 Programme (Early Years and Key Stage One) if you have a particular interest in Early Childhood Education. Your modules will be tailored to the academic requirements of teaching children of that particular age. All of your learning will ask you to reflect on your own experiences in your school placement with a consideration of current issues and research. These reflections will then allow you to refine your teaching methods and improve your own practice.

You will focus on the core knowledge, skills and understanding necessary to enter the teaching profession. You will spend time analysing the experiences in your placements alongside a consideration of contemporary issues and research. You will also focus on subject knowledge and pedagogy in the National Curriculum core and foundation subjects.

Three modules are covered during the year: Professional Studies, The Core Curriculum and The Wider Curriculum. Each is assessed through completion of directed tasks, a written assignment and 100% attendance. These assignments correlate to Masters Credits; 20 per assignment.

You will undertake two blocks of assessed school experience in the Autumn and Summer terms. During the placements, you will progress from participant observer, via support teacher and sharing teacher, to lead teacher. Throughout this process you will be supported by University-based mentors and a link tutor. During the placement you are expected to draw upon all the other modules in the programme and engage in analysis and evaluation within the framework provided by the PGCE Primary Profile of Professional Development

St Mary's also offer the opportunity of a four week enhancement placement which enables you to focus on a particular area of interest in the Spring term.

The opportunity to study for the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) is available at St Mary's, as is the opportunity to undertake an additional 30 Masters credits through their summer school prior to starting your NQT year.

Primary PGCE with Maths (Roehampton)

This programme has been devised in response to government policy to train specialist primary mathematics teachers to address identified needs in primary mathematics teaching. It focuses on developing you as a confident mathematics teacher, able to teach across all levels of attainment including higher attaining older children. As a specialist mathematics teacher, you will also be someone able to advise and enthuse colleagues so as to raise attainment throughout the school.

Successful candidates will be those who can demonstrate passion for the subject and potential to inspire children and colleagues. The aim is to raise the profile of mathematics and the confidence and achievement of children. You will need to demonstrate very good subject knowledge as well as having a strong interest in promoting positive attitudes to mathematics learning. In addition you will need to show you have a good understanding of primary education and a commitment to high expectations for all children.

The course provides both an academic qualification at Masters-level (PGCE) and a recommendation for Qualified Teacher Status (QTS). You will gain from the expertise and enthusiasm of our school mentors and university subject tutors in small, subject-based teaching groups at Roehampton, tailored to your experience and expertise. Upon application to the programme, trainees choose an age specialism (3-7 years or 5-11 years). This determines the mix of placement schools offered for both school experiences.

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The knowledge in this programme will be a combination of mathematics carried out by the specialists themselves and an in depth study of the mathematics to be taught. You will develop a strong awareness of how to transform mathematical ideas into knowledge for teaching. Personal subject knowledge will be enhanced through materials such as Roehampton's very successful Mathematics Enhancement Course, adapted for primary specialists.

During your placements, you will spend time in school where you will have the opportunity to develop and practice skills and strategies which promote children's learning. During the placement you are expected to draw upon all the other modules in the programme and engage in analysis and evaluation within the framework provided by the PGCE Primary Profile of Professional Development

Bursary Information

A £6,000 bursary is available for trainees who have a Grade B in A Level Maths. This bursary is paid in ten equal monthly instalments from October to July. For more information, please see:

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-my-teacher-training/bursaries-and-scholarships-for-teacher-training>