



SWIFT Teacher Training Autumn News Update

Welcome

Welcome, to SWIFT Teacher Training's half termly news update.

The first half of the Autumn term has gone very quickly as school's have returned from the summer break and settled into the new academic year. One of the key dates in our calendar has been the opening of the Department of Education's Apply Service on 10 October. This signified the start of the recruitment cycle for next year's training cohort. We are delighted to have received applications from many of you since it opened.

Our in-person Campus interviews are in full swing, alongside our online option and it has been a great pleasure to meet so many talented and inspirational future teachers during the interviews that have taken place so far.

We will be welcoming applications up until Summer 2024, so if you haven't applied yet you can find more information here:

[SWIFT Teacher Training - South West Institute for Teaching](#) | SWIFT Teacher Training website

[Find postgraduate teacher training courses - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) | Find Teacher Training Courses

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-teacher-training> | DfE Apply for Teacher Training Courses

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/> | Free advice and support

Best wishes,

The SWIFT Teacher Training Team - Sarah, Nicky and Abby

[APPLY HERE](#)

NOWTEACH

Career Changers

Now Teach is an organisation providing support to career changers applying for and undertaking secondary teacher training.

They are a charity with funding from the Department for Education and their mission is to help bring experienced people into teaching and make it more likely that they will qualify and stay in the profession.

They offer a two-year Career Change Programme which provides two years of 1-1 support, regular development events and networking opportunities, access to coaches, and a community of career-changer trainees. Their team are there to support your transition and answer any questions, help you solve problems and liaise with your training provider. They support you not only through your training year, but also during your first year of teaching as an Early Career Teacher (ECT).

As a career changer you can bring your years of hard-earned experience, skills and networks into the classroom to make a real difference in the lives of your students.

Learn more about Now Teach [HERE](#) and to apply to join their Network, find details [HERE](#).



Get School Experience

The Department for Education (DfE) runs a Get School Experience service, where you can search for schools in your area who offer school experience sessions that you can attend. These sessions may include observing lessons, attending tutor groups, opportunity to talk to Heads of Departments and teachers, interact with pupils, and learn more about teacher training. To search for schools in your area who have signed up to this DfE service click [HERE](#).



Bursaries and Scholarships

The DfE have released the Postgraduate teaching bursaries and scholarships for 2024 – 2025.

Subject	Bursary	Scholarship
Art & Design	£10,000	
Biology	£25,000	
Chemistry	£28,000	£30,000
Computing	£28,000	£30,000
Design & Technology	£25,000	
English	£10,000	
Geography	£25,000	
Languages (French / Spanish / German)	£25,000	£27,000
Maths	£28,000	£30,000
Music	£10,000	
Physics	£28,000	£30,000
Religious Education	£10,000	



Suggested resources and further reading | Education Endowment

Foundation

The Education Endowment Foundation is an independent charity dedicated to breaking the link between family income and educational achievement.

Taken from:

<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/about-us/how-we-work>

Education inequality in England is entrenched.

By the time they start school, a child born into a socio-economically disadvantaged family is already less likely to meet expected levels of language, communication, and physical development. These gaps only widen throughout primary and secondary school.

These attainment gaps are a major driver of differences in education and employment outcomes later in life.

This doesn't need to be the case. Giving every child – whatever their socio-economic background or where they go to school – access to great teaching is one of the most powerful levers we have for change. Using evidence – looking at what has and hasn't worked in the past – puts us in a great position to do this.

To find out more and access their series of excellent guidance reports visit:

<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/>

To find out how SWIFT Teacher Training works with the EEF click [HERE](#).

Kingsbridge Research School (KRS) is a part of a national network of research schools that represent the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) across the region. Find out what role the Director of Kingsbridge Research School, Jon Eaton has in designing the SWIFT Teacher Training Curriculum [HERE](#)

To find out if you are eligible, please see our website [HERE](#).

Events

Thinking about applying? You can find out more about SWIFT Teacher Training through our Online Information Events and Classroom Experience Events:

Get into Teaching | South West Event | Mercure Bristol Grand Hotel | Thursday 23 November 2023 | 1700 – 2000 | Book [HERE](#)

SWIFT Teacher Training Online Information Event | Monday 27 November 2023 | 1530 – 1600 | Book [HERE](#)

Classroom Experience and Information Event | South Devon and Torbay Campus | Shiphay Learning Academy | Wednesday 29 November 2023 | 0915 - 1315 | Book [HERE](#)

Classroom Experience and Information Event | Plymouth Campus Area | Tor Bridge Primary | Thursday 30 November 2023 | 0930 - 1500 | Book [HERE](#)

SWIFT Teacher Training Plymouth Area Campus Online Information Event | Tuesday 30 November 2023 | 1530 – 1630 | Book [HERE](#)