

What our trainees say about us...

“The Gateway Alliance has offered continuous support and advice. In addition, there have been plenty of useful meetings to discuss and support our professional development. I've felt the staff have all gone above and beyond to support me on a personalised basis and have prepared me for the world of teaching.”

Laura - Gateway SD Trainee

“Gateway provide such a wealth of relevant CPD opportunities for trainees, which other school direct partnerships just don't offer.”

Katy - Gateway SD Trainee

“It has been great to meet regularly with the other Gateway trainees in order to share experiences and undertake specific training.”

Jade - Gateway SD Trainee

“The Gateway Alliance School Direct programme provided an excellent support network throughout the training year. It enabled me to build lasting relationships with other trainees and existing teachers within the alliance, something that was invaluable at the time and I'm sure will continue to be so throughout my teaching career.”

Chris - Gateway SD Trainee

“The Gateway team are highly responsive and flexible in order to best support our needs as trainees.”

Elizabeth - Gateway SD Trainee

“It has been great to train in one of the Gateway Alliance schools as it is such a well respected and strong primary partnership. The Gateway team are specialists in supporting trainees in primary schools and so the quality of training and support has been fantastic.”

Rich - Gateway SD Trainee

Gateway Alliance School Direct Programme



The Gateway Alliance has led a school direct partnership since 2012 offering a range of primary initial teacher training places. Our partnership is made up of a wide range of **primary and special schools** from across the **Warwickshire and Coventry** areas, working alongside leading initial teacher training provider - the **University of Warwick**.

Our lead school is Claverdon Primary School and our partnership name is **Gateway Alliance (Midlands)**. Each year we offer both **tuition fee and salaried** teacher training places.

“Working in partnership to recruit and train the next generation of outstanding teachers.”

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What is School Direct?

School Direct provides an opportunity for schools to influence the way in which initial teacher training (ITT) is delivered and ensure the very best teachers are recruited to the profession. It gives schools much greater control and influence over teacher training and allows schools to recruit and train teachers, in school, to meet their needs locally. **The school direct programme offers trainees a fantastic opportunity to train in school, learning from the best teachers, whilst also being supported academically by university staff.**

Benefits

The benefits of training with Gateway...

- ◆ A large partnership which **specialises in supporting primary and special school trainees**, with a wealth of expertise and experience of supporting training in these settings
- ◆ Access to a wealth of **tailored CPD opportunities** that will support you to develop your skills throughout the training year and beyond
- ◆ A **high quality in-school experience** which is underpinned by outstanding **academic training** and access to industry leading research at the leading initial teacher education provider - **The University of Warwick**.

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- ◆ A **central training programme** led by a team of experts from across the partnership which includes specific training sessions and regular trainee network meetings
- ◆ Highly **experienced mentors** and **outstanding teachers** who have been supporting teacher trainees for many years
- ◆ A **growing alumni of school direct graduates** that are keen and willing to support new trainees
- ◆ A **strong and well-established partnership** with a common set of values held across all schools and a commitment **to the best possible training experience** for all
- ◆ A large partnership of high quality schools that can offer a range of **fantastic NQT employment opportunities** to those that successfully complete their training

Training Routes

Tuition Fee - This route is **open to anyone** who meets the minimum eligibility criteria for teaching. You will undertake the majority of your **training in school**, but you will not be employed by the school. This route incurs a **£9,250 tuition fee** although you might be **eligible for a loan, training bursary or scholarship**.

Salaried - This is an **employment-based route** for graduates with at least three years' work experience. You will undertake the majority of your **training in school** and **earn a salary of over £16,000** while you train.

What we are looking for...

We are looking for ambitious trainee teachers who have a **passion for education**, are positive, enthusiastic, organised, creative, flexible, patient and have a desire to share these skills with young people of all abilities in the primary age range.

School Experience

We would expect all applicants to have experience of British primary schools. This could be as a volunteer or in paid work. Although there is no set amount of school experience that we require, the experience that you have got should be meaningful, relevant and significant and it should enable you to talk about learning in a range of settings. Please reflect on this experience and explain in your application form what you have learnt from it. It should also have given you an insight into the workload expectations and how highly demanding the role of a teacher is.

Skills & Qualities

We look for candidates with the following strengths:

- ◆ **Passion for learning** and an interest in/ knowledge of education
- ◆ Excellent **communication** skills (both written and verbal)
- ◆ Ability to stay **calm** and deal with stressful situations
- ◆ **Self-Motivation**, a drive to succeed and **resilience** in the face of difficulty
- ◆ Experience of working with children with **special educational needs**

- ◆ Being part of a team and **working collaboratively**
- ◆ Managing teams and other adults, holding people to account
- ◆ Sense of **fun**!
- ◆ **Reflective** practitioner who responds to feedback
- ◆ Interests outside of education
- ◆ **ICT** competent & confident
- ◆ Excellent **organisational** skills
- ◆ Willing to travel/ able to work in a range of locations

Next steps

For more information about training with the Gateway Alliance please visit our website:

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All applications should be made via the **UCAS teacher training** online application portal at

www.ucas.com/ucas/teacher-training

Click on "Search for courses - Teacher Training" and search for '**Gateway Alliance (Midlands)**' c/o lead school Claverdon Primary School.