

Turn your talent to teaching



Life as a teacher offers you all the opportunities, training, support and rewards you need to develop and build a stimulating and successful career

EVERYONE remembers a good teacher. Teaching has its challenges; but the personal and professional satisfaction gained from this career can make it an exciting choice.

Some teachers continue their education at university and attain a Bachelor of Education (BEd) honours degree.

Others have experience and knowledge gained from a career other than teaching, but wish to give something back further down the career path.

At a time when secondary teachers of certain subjects are in short supply, it is refreshing to see higher education institutions in Wales collaborating to address the problem.

Thanks to funding from the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW), the University of Wales Institute Cardiff (UWIC) and the Open University in Wales ran a pilot course in 2003 entitled, Prepare to Teach Mathematics.

This was a taster course for people who were considering teaching mathematics as a career or as a career change.

Because of the success of this pilot scheme, Prepare to Teach courses in mathematics, science, design & technology, Cymraeg and religious

education now run throughout Wales with University of Wales Bangor, University of Wales Aberystwyth, Swansea Institute, University of Wales Newport, UWIC, Trinity College and the Open University in Wales all providing tutors.

This year's course, which started in September, offers participants flexible start dates, local school experience, a personal tutor and a school facilitator.

It aims to help potential teachers decide whether they are temperamentally suited to teaching, and whether there are any gaps in their subject knowledge before they make a decision about their future career path. Places are still available for 2007/08.

A high proportion of participants go on to take PGCE courses and enter the teaching profession.

Another innovative course, again supported by HEFCW, is Teach Again. This course, run by UW Aberystwyth and the Open University in Wales, is a 'returners' course aimed at qualified primary and secondary teachers who have been out of the classroom for some time and who wish to begin teaching in a secondary school or to return to the secondary classroom.

The course offers returners

an updating of skills and knowledge, along with confidence building, local school experience and personal tutor/school mentor support.

Teach Again commenced in January 2008, but there are still places available for late entrants.

Both Prepare to Teach and Teach Again are co-ordinated by The Open University in Wales, on behalf of the collaborating institutions.

Details and application forms may be obtained from The Open University in Wales by calling 029 2047 1019.

The Open University in Wales launched its new part-time flexible PGCE course in September. The Open University offers qualifications in mathematics, science, modern languages, geography, music and design & technology.

This flexible PGCE offers all the benefits of open distance learning whilst providing first-rate secondary school training.

An individual Training Plan, a personal OU tutor and high quality resources support students working towards their Qualified Teacher Status at a pace that suits them.

● For more information about studying for a PGCE at the OU, call 029 2047 1170.

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