

# SSTSMFL S1: Introduction to MFL Teaching & the programme



## About

The Teacher Subject Specialist Training (TSST) was introduced by National College for Teaching and Leadership (NCTL) in 2016 to improve the subject knowledge of non-specialist teachers and returning teachers and increase the number of hours taught in secondary MFL. It aims to build capacity to enable schools to manage workforce and deployment challenges.

## Funding

Following a successful bid to the DfE, this programme is fully-funded. There is no cost to participants.

## Aim

The programme aims to increase participants' subject knowledge and subject specific pedagogical knowledge and increase confidence levels in teaching French or Spanish.

- Increasing understanding and confidence in teaching French or Spanish at KS3 / 4
- Developing an understanding of how MFL teaching differs from teaching other subjects
- Being able to draw on a wide range of techniques, strategies and pedagogies to improve students' knowledge and understanding.

The upskilling of teachers will improve the quality of teaching, which will impact directly on the classroom. The programme will increase capacity in schools, where recruitment and retention of subject specialists is problematic.

## Programme overview

This is a blended-learning programme focusing on subject knowledge and pedagogy, suitable for non-subject specialists, existing MFL teachers wishing to teach an additional language or natives with little experience of teaching French or Spanish in the UK. It may also be appropriate for returning teachers to refresh their pedagogical knowledge and understanding. **Due to current Covid-19 restrictions, face to face sessions will be delivered via Zoom until such time as face to face becomes possible.**

## Who is it for?

- **Non-specialist teachers** who could potentially teach French or Spanish in addition to, or as their main subject
- **Non-specialist teachers** who are currently teaching French or Spanish (either full-time or in addition to their specialist subject)
- **Non-specialist teachers** currently teaching French or Spanish, in addition to their specialist subject (i.e. A teacher of Spanish wishing to teach French, a teacher of History teacher wishing to teach French)
- Teachers who are looking to return to the profession - **Returning Teachers**
- **Specialist MFL teachers who are not currently teaching MFL** and who need refresher training to enable a move back to a MFL role
- **Specialist MFL teachers who have the capacity to teach a second language** in addition to their language specialism - language - teachers must already be able to speak that language to the required level as this is not a language acquisition programme.
- **Teachers without QTS teaching in academies**
- **Overseas trained teachers (OTT)** who are resident and eligible to work in England
- **Newly qualified teachers (NQTs)** if outside of their Subject specialism (i.e. not their first ITT language)
- **Primary teachers** are eligible if they will be teaching year 7 or 8 pupils as part of cross-school key stage 2 and 3 collaboration, e.g. in a Multi Academy Trust (MAT)
- **Primary teachers**, if they have firm plans to convert from primary to a secondary teaching post
- Those who are members of, and have been awarded **Qualified Teacher Learning and Skills status (QTLS)** by the Society for Education, are eligible if they have firm plans to teach either French or Spanish in a school or sixth form college
- **Supply teachers** are eligible if they do not have a contract with a school and are committed to returning to a permanent post
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## Programme structure

A blended learning programme including:

- Pre-programme resources and reading materials, Baseline assessment (measuring individual starting point)
- A blended learning approach of online Zoom sessions (Face-to-Face when permitted), 1-1 and group.

- 8 online Zoom sessions (face-to-face when permitted) - 4:15pm to 6:15pm
- Additional Online resources, elements and support
- Independent learning in between sessions with support from a dedicated mentor
- The equivalent of a day SLE support for participants including visits to schools (subject to lifting of Covid-19 restrictions). *Alternative options will be made available if schools are not accepting visitors.*
- Final Assessment and Outcomes – measuring progress made, and evaluation
- Completion - Billericay Educational Consortium, an accredited SCITT, will award a certificate detailing the content of the programme. Certification will recognise the learning undertaken and progress made.

**N.B.** Schools are advised to provide the participant with support from a Mentor, enabling the above to take place. We will provide additional guidance for mentors, especially for non-school based participants.

### **Suggested session content**

- Baseline assessment and individual planning
- Vocabulary teaching and retention strategies
- Teaching listening and reading skills
- Speaking strategies and use of target language
- Teaching grammar and using powerful analogies and illustrations
- Teaching writing skills and planning for creative work
- Effective lesson planning for progress and engagement
- Constructive use of assessment and preparing for GCSE

### **Who is delivering the programme?**

The whole programme is delivered by Specialist Leaders of Education (SLEs). Each Leader is highly experienced and skilled, and are frequently involved in supporting MFL in schools across the area, leading networks and training.

### **Benefits to schools**

- Improved quality of teaching, learning and student outcomes
- Increased capacity for the delivery of MFL, particularly in the provision of the EBacc
- Enhanced recruitment and retention

### **Dates and Time: 4.15pm-6.15pm (Face-to-Face sessions where possible)**

2 December 2020  
 16 December 2020  
 6 January 2021  
 20 January 2021  
 10 February 2021  
 24 February 2021  
 10 March 2021  
 24 March 2021

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### **Logistics**

**Course Dates:**

**Venue:**

**Times:** -

**Price:** or for TSA Members