



Teaching Assistant Level 2 (Day)

The Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools Level 2 course is designed for 19+ adults.

The purpose of STALIS is to train qualified and competent teaching assistants, who would like to work or are already working in a primary, secondary school or college as a teaching or learning support assistant and are seeking professional accreditation for their specialist skills.

Learners achieve their main qualification plus additional qualification towards positive attributes of a teaching assistant to move forward in their teaching profession.

Learners develop skills in behaviourism, professionalism, communication, first aid, safeguarding, career talks, mock interviews, CV writing and L1 Employability.

The course runs over 4 hours per week. We offer child friendly hours or an evening.

- [Sector Overview](#)

Working in education can be incredibly rewarding. You'll use your knowledge and skills to inspire and educate the next generation and the variety of your job means that you'll gain plenty of transferrable skills in return. Job satisfaction is guaranteed as you get to watch young people learn and develop. What's more, you'll have ample opportunities to progress your career. Teachers also enjoy great job security and other benefits such as a competitive salary, generous holiday allowance and a pension.

Future employment for teaching professionals is set to increase by 4.7% nationally in 2026.

The purpose of STALIS is to train qualified and competent teaching assistants. Students develop skills and confidence. Several of our students have been teachers in their native countries and want to enter the education system here. They gain transferable skills, and many have the confidence to go onto further studies. The placements build confidence, skills and allow students to be in a school environment to see how different schools operate as organisations. The team offer an individualised holistic approach and support students to move to their own outcomes through the course. Students achieve their main qualification plus additional qualification towards positive attributes of a teaching assistant and to move forward in next steps on career path and gain employment.

- [Entry Requirements](#)

The entry requirements for this course are:

- Good level of English and Maths which will be assessed.
- Finding a work placement in a school for a minimum of one day per week for the whole year on a voluntary basis (if you are not already working in a school).
- You also need to have a DBS Enhanced Disclosure
- You will be required to attend an informal interview which may include completing an assessment based on your prior qualifications

- [What will I study?](#)

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This course consists of the following modules:

- Child development
- Communication
- Schools as an organisation
- Safeguarding

- [How will I be assessed?](#)

You will be assessed via:

- Teaching observations
- Assignments
- Presentations

- [Enrichment](#)

To further enhance your progression, you will actively participate in Paediatric first aid, health and safety and safeguarding training.

You can also access our Student Common Room which is a great place to unwind and relax during your breaks. It features pool tables, table tennis, a gaming corner and lots of comfy sofas so you can refresh before your next lesson. Themed events are also held in the Common Room so you can get the best experience of being a learner at Waltham Forest College.

- [Work Experience](#)

You must complete (1 day per\week) work placement for the duration of the course which an essential part of the programme.

- [Progression opportunities](#)

Successful completion of this course will lead to:

- Employment
- Level 3 Programmes
- Level 3 Award in Education and Training
- Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training

- [Alumni](#)

The STALIS course has a 93% progression rate of learners progressing to Higher Education courses or employment.

Learner, Marcos began his studies at the College in 2020 and then later progressed onto the Level 5 Diploma. He is now studying a BA in Education, Level 6 at university and is currently teaching in a school.

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