

# **School Direct 2020/21 Secondary Course Directory**

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## Why Train With Us?

In your teacher training year you will spend two thirds of your time in schools, irrespective of the type of training route you choose. We offer the School Direct route in partnership with Middlesex University and the University of Hertfordshire. This gives you the opportunity to choose and train in a school you like, and that likes and chooses you. We only choose people we think have the qualities to be a good teacher, and we expect our trainees to choose us because they can see we provide a strong mentor support structure with rigorous standards.

As schools we have decades of experience in training teachers. We would be delighted to have you visit us and to talk to you informally before your application. If you'd like to do this then please send us an email via the "Contact Us" page at [www.aimallianceschools.org](http://www.aimallianceschools.org).

## What We're Looking For

### Academic Credentials

However much we like you, if you don't have the following academic qualifications you will not be able to train with us:

- A relevant honours degree from a British university with a minimum 2.2 or equivalent overseas degree supported by a recent NARIC certificate.
- For Secondary, GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or higher or equivalent (supported by a recent NARIC certificate for overseas students)
- For Primary, GCSE Science at Grade C or higher or equivalent (supported by a recent NARIC certificate for overseas students)

For GCSEs, an equivalent qualification from Equivalency Testing Ltd is acceptable, **but not any other provider.**

**Overseas applicants** - please note that your school qualification in **English** in particular may not be equivalent to the GCSE and this will be stated on any NARIC certificate. If not, you will have to either sit the GCSE English Language exam or take an equivalency test from Equivalency Testing Ltd.

**Older applicants** – if it's been a while since you studied and you are applying to teach a secondary subject then you may be asked to complete a **subject knowledge enhancement course** generally before starting your teacher training. These may be online, or be offered by a university partner.



## Personal Attributes

Above all else we want to see that you like and can interact appropriately with children and young people. We want to see that you:

- like people and can interact with them appropriately
- are determined, trustworthy and resilient
- show patience and kindness to others, and don't harbour grudges
- can engage peoples' attention, and adapt to situations as they unfold

You will also need to see teaching as a positive career choice and be interested in and informed about education in England today.

You need to be very clear about why you want to become a teacher, the skills involved and what you can bring to the profession.

## School Experience and Advice

If you are intending on applying to Aim Alliance Schools on the School Direct programme we would encourage you to arrange a school experience day with us. We can also offer 15 minute appointments in which you gain advice on the best routes and ask any questions you may have. To arrange this please email Amanda Phillips at [a.phillips@londonacademy.org.uk](mailto:a.phillips@londonacademy.org.uk) who will be able to coordinate this.

## Other

You must also complete a satisfactory Enhanced DBS check, submit a health questionnaire and complete a placement form. Further details will be sent to you once you receive an offer.

## How to Apply

You apply for all our courses via the UCAS website, [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com). Search for our provider code, **2FR** or **AIM Alliance Schools**.

Choose the course you want to apply for and apply! For courses run by several schools, please specify which school you are applying to by choosing the correct campus code.



## Secondary General Courses

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b> <b>Aim North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Subjects	<b>Biology   Chemistry   Computing   English   Geography   Maths</b> <b>Physics   Physical Education</b>
Leads to	PGCE or PG Cert + QTS (please see the detailed subjects below)
Qualifications and Degree requirements	You will require GCSE Maths and English at least Grade C or above and a minimum of 2:2 class degree in a relevant subject.
Link to University Partner Page	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts</a>

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Aim North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	Middlesex University

Route	Salaried
Subjects	<b>English</b>
Leads to	PGCE
Qualifications and Degree requirements	You will require GCSE Maths and English at least Grade C or above and a minimum of 2:2 class degree in a relevant subject.
Link to University Partner Page	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts</a>

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b> <b>Aim North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	University of Hertfordshire
Route	Tuition Fee
Subjects	<b>Business Studies   Art &amp; Design   History   RE</b>
Leads to	PGCE

Qualifications and Degree requirements	You will require GCSE Maths and English at least Grade C or above and a minimum of 2:2 class degree in a relevant subject.
Link to University Partner Page	<a href="https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct">https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct</a>

## Secondary Teacher Training by Subject

### Art & Design

School	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b>
University partner	University of Hertfordshire
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / doctorate £9,000 tax free 2.1 class degree / masters £9,000 tax free 2.2 class degree £9,000 tax free
	All trainees will pay their university tuition fee.
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	At least a 2.2 in an Art or Design related subject.
University website	<a href="https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct/school-direct-routes">https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct/school-direct-routes</a>

## Biology

School	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / doctorate £26,000 tax free 2.1 class degree / masters £26,000 tax free 2.2 class degree £26,000 tax free
	All trainees will pay their university tuition fee.
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	At least a 2.2 in biology or biology related subject, or a joint degree with biology.
University website	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/science-with-biology">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/science-with-biology</a>

## Business Studies

School	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b>
University partner	University of Hertfordshire
Route	Tuition Fee



Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / doctorate £9,000 tax free 2.1 class degree / masters £9,000 tax free 2.2 class degree £9,000 tax free
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	At least a 2.2 in Business Studies or a related subject.
University website	<a href="https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initialteacher-education/school-direct/school-direct-routes">https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initialteacher-education/school-direct/school-direct-routes</a>

## Chemistry

School	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / doctorate £26,000 tax free 2.1 class degree / masters £26,000 tax free 2.2 class degree £26,000 tax free; or A potential scholarship of £28,000 You'll receive two additional early-career payments of £6k each in your third and fifth year of teaching. All trainees will pay their university tuition fee.

Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	At least a 2.2 in Chemistry or a related subject.
University website	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/sciencewithchemistry">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/sciencewithchemistry</a>

### Computing

School	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	£26,000 tax free out of which you will pay your university tuition fee or potential £28,000 scholarship of which you will pay your university tuition fees.
Leads to	PG Cert and QTS
Degree requirements	At least a 2.2 in Computer Science or a related subject.

University website	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/computersciencewith-ict">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/computersciencewith-ict</a>
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### English (salaried)

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Aim North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Salaried A salary from the Unqualified Teacher Pay Scale will be paid to you whilst you train, and your school will pay your university tuition fee.
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	A minimum of a 2:2 Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.
University website	<a href="https://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts">https://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts</a>

### English (tuition fee)

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b> <b>Aim North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	Middlesex University

Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / £12,000 tax free 2.1 class degree / £12,000 tax free 2.2 class degree / £12,000 tax free
Route	Tuition Fee
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	A minimum of a 2:2 Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.
University website	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/english">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/english</a>

## Geography

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b> <b>AIM North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	£15,000 tax free out of which you will pay your university tuition fee or £17,000 Scholarship of which you will pay your university tuition fee.

Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	A minimum of a 2:2 Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.
University website	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/school-direct-qts</a>

## History

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>AIM North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	University of Hertfordshire
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / £9,000 tax free 2.1 class degree / £9,000 tax free 2.2 class degree / £9,000 tax free All trainees pay their university tuition fees.
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	A minimum of a 2:2 Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.

University website	<a href="https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct/school-direct-routes">https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct/school-direct-routes</a>
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## Mathematics

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b> <b>AIM North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	£26,000 as a tax free bursary or £28,000 as a scholarship. You'll receive two additional early-career payments of £6k each in your third and fifth year of teaching. All trainees pay their university tuition fees.
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	A minimum of a second-class Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.
University website	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/mathematics">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/mathematics</a>

## Physical Education

Schools	<b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	There is no additional funding for this subject. You will need to pay your university tuition fee.
Leads to	PG Cert and QTS
Degree requirements	A minimum of a 2:2 Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.

## Physics

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b> <b>AIM North London – Campus 3</b>
University partner	Middlesex University
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / doctorate £26,000 tax free 2.1 class degree / masters £26,000 tax free 2.2 class degree £26,000 tax free; or £28,000 Scholarship You'll receive two additional early-career payments of £6k each in your third and fifth year of teaching. You will pay your university tuition fee.
Leads to	PGCE

Degree requirements	A minimum of a 2:2 Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.
University website	<a href="http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/science-with-physics">http://www.mdx.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/science-with-physics</a>

## Religious Education

Schools	<b>London Academy – Campus A</b> <b>Mill Hill County High School – Campus B</b>
University partner	University of Hertfordshire
Route	Tuition Fee
Bursary	1 <sup>st</sup> class degree / doctorate £9,000 tax free 2:1 class degree / masters £9,000 tax free 2:2 class degree / £9,000 tax free You will pay your university tuition fee.
Leads to	PGCE
Degree requirements	A minimum of a 2:2 Bachelor's degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a relevant subject is required.
University website	<a href="https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct/school-direct-routes">https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/schools-of-study/education/initial-teachereducation/school-direct/school-direct-routes</a>

## Secondary Schools

London Academy [www.londonacademy.org.uk](http://www.londonacademy.org.uk)

School Experience Postcode: HA8 8DE





Students from London Academy will be among the leaders for tomorrow. By providing a safe and supportive environment, London Academy will develop in its students, skills and values which will enable them to live their lives as respectful, caring and responsible citizens.

London Academy is an ambitious 4-18 mixed, multicultural comprehensive school in North London. We have 1600 students with 480 in the Sixth Form and we are oversubscribed. In January 2014 we were listed as one of the Top 100 schools in the country for the improvement in our GCSE results over the last three years.

The Academy has a bespoke pedagogy underpinned by a belief that all students can achieve through effort, deliberate practice, and engagement in a meaningful and purposeful curriculum. You will join a committed and vibrant body of staff, passionate about the achievement of our students.

We are looking for exceptional graduates to join us on the School Direct programme. Train to become a teacher at London Academy and you will be part of an extensive professional development programme. You will be supported by an excellent team of experienced staff who will guide you through your Initial Teacher Training and beyond.

**Mill Hill County High School [www.mhchs.org.uk](http://www.mhchs.org.uk)**

**School Experience Postcode: NW7 4LL**

We have over 20 years of experience in training teachers. We offer structured programmes of professional studies and also a detailed and thorough induction programme for Newly Qualified Teachers. A sizeable group of our current staff is 'home grown' and we often welcome back exstudents who wish to train as teachers, sometimes after having worked in the School as TAs or cover supervisors.

We are a high-achieving school. Our students are very engaging, aspire to be successful and achieve a great deal. The school strives to provide an environment in which they can develop their strengths, overcome barriers and learn to consider others.

Mill Hill County High School staff place great value upon the learning experiences which can be provided by sports teams, musical ensembles, dramatic and dance productions, clubs of every sort and educational visits. The school's extra-curricular programme is exceptional and represents a vast amount of voluntary effort on the part of staff; students are expected to avail themselves of appropriate opportunities and to learn the virtues of loyalty and faithfulness.





**AIM North London** [www.aimnorthlondon.org.uk](http://www.aimnorthlondon.org.uk)

**School Experience Postcode: N9 8DQ**

Our motto at AIM North London is “Leaders for Tomorrow”. We are another school within AIM Academies Trust which exists to transform the life chances of all young people, including those who have traditionally fallen short within the education system. AIM Academies Trust believes that demographics should not define destiny. **Our work focuses on:**

- Transforming Culture and Environment
- Transforming Curriculum and Outcomes
- Transforming Teaching and Teacher Development
- Transforming Leaders and Leadership
- Transforming Lives

We partner with Aim Alliance Schools to provide a quality training programme in partnership with our universities.

## How We Select Our Trainees

### Selection

Schools will shortlist applicants for interview, with no fixed deadline. We may go through this process more than once for any particular programme.

### Interviews

If selected you will be required to attend an interview at the school running the programme you have applied for, or attend a joint interview day co-hosted by several schools.

If you are applying to teach in secondary schools, you may have a second interview with our university partner, depending on the qualification you are obtaining.

### Notification

If you are selected for interview we will upload the interview date to UCAS. You should be aware that UCAS will not automatically notify you if an interview date has been uploaded, so it is your responsibility to check the UCAS site regularly.

We will also contact you about the interview by email; please ensure that you also regularly check your spam folder. The interview email will ask you to confirm your attendance at the interview and the relevant email address will be supplied.

Offers are uploaded to UCAS and candidates are notified of this by email.





## General Information

### Accommodation

We do not provide accommodation for trainees.

### Child Care Facilities

We do not have any childcare facilities. We recommend that students use nurseries in their local area.

### Disability Access

The schools in the alliance have different levels of access. If you are invited for an interview, please let the school running the programme know if you have any specific requirements.

Information on university partners' disability and wellbeing support can be found on their websites.

### Where to Find Us

For further information please see: <http://www.aimallianceschools.org>.

