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## Secondary Initial Teacher Training: Intake targets 2009/10

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This circular sets out institutional secondary initial teacher training intake targets for 2009/10.

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## **Introduction**

- 1 This circular sets out institutional secondary initial teacher training (ITT) intake targets for 2009/10.

## **Background**

- 3 We informed you of the primary and secondary ITT intake targets which have been set for the sector by the Welsh Assembly Government for 2009/10 in December 2008 (Circular W08/38HE). The circular included the letter from the Welsh Assembly Government setting out the basis for the targets.
- 4 Institutional primary intake targets are published in Circular W09/03HE.

## **Secondary intake targets 2009/10**

- 5 For institutional secondary intake targets, the Assembly Government asked us to put proposals to them by the end of January for approval. We have now received this approval and institutional secondary ITT intake targets for 2009/10 are set out at Annex A. This includes intake targets for the Open University in Wales. The Annex indicates where new Centres of Teacher Education are coming into place in 2009/10.
- 6 Secondary PGCE targets are broken down into Priority Group 1 (Mathematics and Science), Priority Group 2 (Other shortage subjects), and Other subjects.
- 7 The allocation totals for Secondary Undergraduate (UG) and Secondary PGCE provision reflect the decision by University of Wales Institute, Cardiff, as part of the new South East Wales Centre for Teacher Education, to move from UG Drama to PG Drama with a cohort of 15. This change has been agreed by the Welsh Assembly Government as part of ITT reconfiguration. The Assembly Government has issued a revised sector target table (Annex B) to reflect the changed distribution between UG and PGCE numbers. The overall sector secondary target total remains the same.
- 8 In determining institutional allocations for 2009/10, we have made adjustments to targets within and between subject areas, taking into account:
  - sector recruitment performance in individual subject areas in 2008/09 and in previous years;
  - individual institutional recruitment performance against intake targets in 2008/09 and in previous years;
  - the need to balance subject provision across the sector, and to maintain the viability of provision;

- evidence from Estyn of the quality of training provided by institutions.
  - the broad planning assumptions which we gave for three reconfigured ITT “schools” in October 2006.
- 9 We remain committed to working with institutions to meet Assembly secondary intake targets for ITT, particularly in shortage subjects. In making intake target allocations, we regard an allocation of 10 intakes as the minimum for a viable cohort. As the reconfigured Centres for Teacher Education become established, we will discuss with providers future arrangements and actions where there appears to be difficulty in recruiting to particular subjects.
- 10 We intend to commission a small review of undergraduate secondary provision to consider and make recommendations on its future market and viability.

### **Funded credits released from ITT intake target reductions**

- 11 Intake targets for secondary PGCE provision for the Open University in Wales are ring-fenced and are not therefore included within the overall sector reduction in intake targets and the reconfiguration of ITT. The arrangements below on released funded credits do not therefore apply to the Open University.
- 12 We will inform institutions of the released funded credits and associated funding available to them as a result of reductions in primary and secondary ITT intake targets in the recurrent grant circular for 2009/10 which will be published in March.
- 13 We have been asked by the Assembly Government to remind you that released numbers not now being used for ITT courses in 2009/10 should be used for other HE education-related courses which fit with the proposals in your ITT reconfiguration plans which we have agreed with you. If an institution wishes to change or modify its portfolio of provision using released numbers, please contact Alison Allan to discuss, so that we can assure the Assembly Government that the provision continues to meet its priorities.

### **Further information**

- 14 For further information, contact Alison Allan (tel 029 2068 2223; email [alison.allan@hefcw.ac.uk](mailto:alison.allan@hefcw.ac.uk)).

# Annex A

## ITT Secondary Intake Allocations 2009/10

Subject Area	Level	Aberystwyth University	Bangor University	South East Wales Centre for Teacher Education		South West Wales Centre for Teacher Education		Total 2009/10	Open University in Wales PG	Sec PGCE Group Totals
				UW Institute, Cardiff	UW Newport	Swansea Metropolitan University	Trinity College, Carmarthen			
Priority Group 1	Mathematics	UG				21		21	12	270
		PG		20	24		43	87		
	Sciences	UG				10		10	12	270
		PG	29	44	45		53	171		
Priority Group 2	Modern Languages	UG			10			10	12	359
		PG	16	14	41		31	102		
	Welsh	UG			16			16		
		PG	10	13	17		10	50		
	Design & Technology	UG		15		18		33		
		PG			24	23	21	68		
	Information Technology	UG								
	PG		14	14		24	52			
Music	UG			10			10	12	359	
	PG		13	21			34			
Religious Education	UG								12	359
	PG		13				28	41		
Other Subjects	English (inc. drama)	UG						0	1	396
		PG	29	19	33		44	125		
	Art	UG								
		PG		14	34		16	64		
	History	UG								
		PG	19		14		29	62		
	Geography	UG								
	PG	20				22	42			
Business Studies	UG							1	396	
	PG					16	16			
Physical Education	UG								1	396
	PG		27	54			81			
Outdoor Activities	UG								1	396
	PG		5				5			
Total UG			15	36	49			100		
Total PG		123	196	321	23	309	28	1000	25	1025
Grand total		123	211	357	72	309	28	1100		

## Revised ITT sector Intake target table

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**Intake targets 2009/10**

	<b>Undergraduate</b>	<b>Postgraduate</b>	<b>Total</b>
Primary	370	405	775
Secondary	100	1,000	1,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>1,875</b>

**Secondary PGCE subjects****Priority group 1**

Mathematics; Science

258

**Priority group 2**

Modern Languages; Welsh;  
Design & Technology; ICT; Music;  
RE

347

**Other subjects**

English (including drama); History;  
Geography; PE; Art; Business  
studies; Outdoor

395

**Virement flexibility**

No virement into the undergraduate or postgraduate primary target totals.

Up to 5% virement flexibility into the undergraduate secondary target total from the undergraduate primary target total.

Up to 5% virement flexibility into the postgraduate secondary other subjects target total from the postgraduate primary target total.

No virement out of the postgraduate secondary other subjects target total.

No virement into or out of the postgraduate secondary priority group 1 target total.

No virement into or out of the postgraduate secondary priority group 2 target total.