ESOL How to Become a Teaching Assistant

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

Course Level: Level 1 | **Campus: Newcastle** | **Subject Type: English & Languages**

Course Overview:

Are you thinking about working in a school, but feel unsure about your English?

Our ESOL Introduction to Working as a Teaching Assistant course is a great first step. This short, friendly course is specially designed for adults whose first language is not English and who want to explore what it's like to work in a UK classroom.

What's Covered:

This course is led by an experienced ESOL tutor who understands the challenges of learning English and planning for a new career. You don't need any previous experience, just a positive attitude and a willingness to learn. Taught by an experienced ESOL tutor, the course will help you build your confidence using everyday English for school settings. You'll learn about the role of a Teaching Assistant, daily responsibilities, classroom routines, and the personal qualities schools look for, such as patience, teamwork and good communication. You'll also practise using key vocabulary and phrases you might hear in a school, including giving instructions and supporting children. It's the perfect place to begin your journey towards a rewarding career in education.

You will:

- Learn what a Teaching Assistant does and where they work
- Explore the key responsibilities and daily tasks in a school
- Build your confidence with classroom vocabulary and education terms
- Practise English for real-life school situations, like giving instructions or helping children
- Discover the personal skills needed, such as patience, communication and teamwork
- Get support with planning your next steps towards working or studying further

Entry Requirements:

This short, friendly course is designed for people whose first language is not English and who want to learn more about what it means to work as a Teaching Assistant in the UK. If you're thinking about a future job in a school but feel unsure about the language, this course is a great place to start.

You do not need any experience working in schools, just a willingness to learn and improve your English. Before you start the course, we will invite to attend a welcome event to ensure your level of English is appropriate for the course.

Assessment Information:

There are no formal assessments, just supportive learning and activities in class. You will work through an individual learning plan and receive regular feedback from your tutor.

Fees and Financial Support:

This course is FREE to adults aged 19+ who have been a UK/EU Resident for 3 years or more.

Progression:

After this course, you may choose to:

- Join an ESOL to build your English skills further and gain a qualification in speaking, listening, reading and writing
- Progress to a Level 1 or 2 Teaching Assistant course

What else do I need to know?

Please note that courses run subject to minimum viable class sizes.

All materials will be provided and there will be practical activities which will include painting, crafts and producing activities for children to learn from.

Our daytime classes take place in welcoming community venues close to the college, offering a convenient and supportive learning environment. You'll have the opportunity to meet like-minded adults who are also looking to develop their skills, achieve their ambitions, and take the next steps in their careers.

How do I find out more?

For further information, please contact our Adult Education Team on 01782 254211 or email adult.education@nscg.ac.uk.