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The Training and Development Agency for Schools (TDA) aims to make sure there is an effective school workforce and that there are enough people recruited to the teaching profession – developing people, improving young lives – which will help to raise school standards. The TDA's campaigns, which focus on priority subjects including maths and science, encourage suitable candidates to apply for initial teacher training and gain QTS.



Visit the website

www.refugeesintoteaching.org.uk

The website contains more detailed project information, as well as pages on routes into teaching, English language support, the online registration service and policy being undertaken by RiT.

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Do you want to teach in England and Wales?

Refugees into Teaching (RiT) can advise you.

It is estimated that there are hundreds of refugee teachers in the UK who want to work in schools, but meet significant barriers. RiT hopes to change this through offering help and advice to teachers who want to continue their career, or those with transferable skills (such as accounting) who want to teach.

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The project provides support and training for suitably qualified refugees to become teachers with **Qualified Teacher Status (QTS)** in state primary or secondary schools, or to take on other suitable roles. We can help you whatever stage of your job search you are at, from learning English to applying for teaching positions.

The project also advocates on behalf of refugee teachers and feeds into policy on employment and training. The data collected will be an invaluable information source for understanding the needs of refugee teachers and addressing those needs accordingly.

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Who are the partners?

The Refugee Council is the lead partner in the project. It is the largest organisation in the UK working with asylum seekers and refugees. It not only gives help and support, but also works with asylum seekers and refugees to ensure their needs and concerns are addressed.



The National Recognition Information Centre for the United Kingdom (UK NARIC) is the national agency responsible for information provision on international education and qualifications. It provides the recognition service and comparability information of all international qualifications from over 180 countries with those in the UK.



Newman College is a Higher Education Institution (HEI) in Birmingham with a high reputation for teacher training. It offers a variety of programmes leading to QTS, including the Graduate and Registered Teacher Programmes (G/RTP), and the Overseas Trained Teacher Programme (OTTP).



The West London Partnership (GTP/OTTP) enables schools to employ graduate teachers who are not yet qualified and supports them through an individual training programme leading to QTS. The West London Partnership consists of five Initial Teacher Training (ITT) providers and eleven Local Authorities (LAs).



The Refugee Assessment and Guidance Unit (RAGU) at London Metropolitan University is the only refugee agency in the UK based within a higher education institution. It provides advice and guidance, specialist training and work placements to refugee professionals and also undertakes research into education and employment issues.



What are our services?

The project has a focus on West London and the West Midlands, but we can offer more general advice, help with qualifications assessment and appropriate referral to local agencies for people outside those areas.

Our services are as follows:

- Advice on routes into teaching, including regular drop-in sessions
- Information – you can register online and you can sign up for a newsletter and e-group
- Help from NARIC with how your qualifications compare in the UK free of charge
- Short courses on the educational system
- Personal help with a work plan, filling in applications, getting work experience and accessing language support
- Work placements in schools
- Help with getting onto teacher training programmes you can do while working in a school