

# Primary Education – Full-Time – Primary Languages Route

## Introduction

Canterbury Christ Church offers the opportunity to study the PGCE Primary (Full-Time), specialising in Primary Languages. This is in response to the latest Government initiative for every primary school in the country to have a teacher qualified to promote/teach Primary Languages by 2010. During the PGCE programme you will be able to develop a specialism in one of the four languages offered: French, Spanish, Italian or German.

For the vast majority of the time the programme follows the same pattern and requirements as the PGCE Primary Full-Time. However, students following the Primary Languages route will also be expected to undertake an additional portion of their placement time in France, Germany, Spain or Italy (depending on their language). This will take place in the second term of the programme, lasting four weeks. Students will be accommodated and hosted by the country of their language specialism.

As well as sessions on the practical application of languages in the classroom, students following this route will also have taught language enhancement sessions.

Candidates to the Primary Languages route need to be aware that the course is part of a Training and Development Agency (TDA) project aimed at the development of language and cultural

skills of both students and primary aged children. The TDA requires that the European placement is only available for students who are non-native speakers of the language of that nation. As Primary Languages is becoming statutory at Key Stage 2, the TDA also requires that it is **only available** to students following the 5-11 age group route.

## Tuition Fees

Information about tuition fees and sources of student financial support, can be found on page 29.

## Entry Requirements

In addition to the general entry requirements, (see How to Apply for PGCE Primary Full-Time) Primary Language applicants will need an A-level or equivalent in French, German, Spanish or Italian.



## About the course

Level:  
PGCE

Duration:  
One year full-time

Full-Time Programme:  
The programme is taught at the Canterbury Campus but a significant time is spent in school.

All PGCEs include the option of studying for a Postgraduate Certificate with Masters Level Credits or a Professional Graduate Certificate.