



French Subject Knowledge Enhancement (SKE) Course Information

What is the French SKE course?

- An intensive, full-time, face-to-face 20-unit course designed to enable graduate linguists to learn French in order to teach it confidently to Key Stage 3 (pupils aged 11-14).
- 11 weeks are spent in Sheffield with a minimum 10-day study visit in France.
- Daily sessions between 9am and 1.30pm with three hours of further self-access work.
- Two 30-minute conversation classes with a lecteur/lectrice per week.
- Distance learning prior to and post face-to-face programme.
- Provisional dates: 8th June 21st August 2020

Will I have to pay?

No, in fact you will receive a bursary of £200 per unit for the 16 weeks study prior to the PGCE. For the study visit in France you contribute towards travel, accommodation and subsistence costs from your bursary. You receive additional weeks bursary for the study visit.

What is the beginners course?

A 2 week intensive, full-time beginners course for those with no French at all. Includes 4 hours of teaching per day plus 2 hours self study. Week 2 of the beginners course is offered to those with less than GCSE French.

- Bursary of £200 per week available.
- Provisional dates: 26 May 5 June 2020

What is the study visit in France?

A compulsory element of the course spent in the beautiful town of La Rochelle. An 10-day structured study visit, accommodation in families. Fees arranged and paid for you, your bursary is used to pay for travel and accommodation.

Provisional dates: 4-15 July 2020



What is the status of the course?

The course is funded by the Department for Education (DfE) and aims to increase the pool of eligible trainees for MFL teacher training.

There are 25 places are available on the course.

How can I apply?

You can apply for teacher training via UCAS in the usual way. It is helpful to indicate interest in this course in the personal statement. A SKE may be recommended as a condition for Initial Teacher Training (ITT) at interview, you need to contact the French SKE course leader to apply to the course. Your application needs to include a copy of your ITT conditional offer letter, a photograph and a copy of your degree qualification.

What happens after I apply?

It will take a few working days to process your application at Sheffield Hallam University. If you are successful, confirmation and further details will be sent to you.

Who should I contact for further information?

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