

Dear Headteacher,

We are delighted to have offered a conditional place to a student on the **Secondary English** Unendorsed to commence the PGCE programme at The Open University in September 2024. The student-teacher has applied for the unendorsed route which means they are looking for a school to endorse them for the duration of the programme.

### **Why endorse a PGCE student from the OU?**

- English medium Secondary schools receive a 100% salary grant for endorsing a student on the Welsh subject route and 50% salary grant for endorsing students on the D&T, Science, Maths, English or ICT routes and
- Welsh medium schools receive a 100% salary grant for the 6 secondary subject pathways on offer.
- A “grow your own model”, shaping the next generation of teachers in your school.
- Supporting the diversification of the profession in Wales.
- Access to professional learning opportunities, close to practice research projects, mentoring and coaching.

Further information regarding the programme and the salary grant can be found on the [OU ITE Partnership](#) website, but in the meantime, please find below a summary of the student’s qualifications and experience.

If you are interested in endorsing a student and require further information, please don’t hesitate to contact the PGCE Wales Team by emailing [Wales-PGCE@open.ac.uk](mailto:Wales-PGCE@open.ac.uk)

On the following page you'll find further information regarding the student-teacher.

## Profile

My love for literature and language coupled with my enthusiasm for education have been driving forces in pursuing a career in teaching English. I am passionate to provide students with a high quality of education in an environment that is safe, welcoming and creative. Giving pupils a space where they are encouraged to understand, engage in and reflect on their learning will motivate me to be a successful educator whilst continuing my professional development.

## Work Experience

Company/Organisation	Job Title	Start date	Finish date
Smiles	Play Worker	September 2020	July 2021
Brightside Mentoring	Mentor	January 2022	May 2022
Seren Summer Project	Chaperone	August 2022	August 2022
Aberystwyth University International English Centre	Office Assistance	July 2023	Present

## Education Qualifications

### Degree

- Education/ Drama and Theatre - predicted 2:1

### A Levels

- English Literature - C
- Sociology - C
- Drama - B

### AS Level

- Psychology - C

### GCSEs

- Maths - 4
- English language - 4
- English Literature - 5
- Chemistry - 5
- Biology - 5
- Chemistry - 5
- Art textiles - 6
- Sociology - 6
- Drama - 7

## Achievement and Interest

Whilst completing my BA Joint Honours Education/ Drama and Theatre degree I have taken modules which have allowed me to study curricula from across the UK, focusing on the implementation of the new Curriculum for Wales. The knowledge I gained from these modules, alongside my positive experiences of cross-curricula education, pushed me to research the new Curriculum for Wales as part of my Major Dissertation. Learning about the Welsh curriculum and living in Wales I have become interested in the Welsh language. Dw i'n dysgu Cymraeg a gweithio tuag yr Mynediad prawf.

References: Can be provided upon request by e-mailing [Wales-PGCE@open.ac.uk](mailto:Wales-PGCE@open.ac.uk)