

# Professional development for school teachers of Arabic: foundations in understanding and practice

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# Routes to QTS

- School Direct Training Programme (salaried, replacing GTP)
- School-centred initial teacher training (SCITT)
- Assessment only
- PGCE

<http://www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching>

# Foundation certificates

- National Resource Centre Training Courses  
[http://www.continyou.org.uk/what we do/supplementary education/resources/training](http://www.continyou.org.uk/what_we_do/supplementary_education/resources/training)
- Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice in Teaching in Supplementary Schools (Middlesex University)  
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# The Secondary PGCE Arabic at Goldsmiths: Underlying principles

- Inclusive and holistic approach to education and language teaching
- Integration of theory and practice
- Teacher as reflective practitioner
- Professional development as an ongoing, supported process

# Course structure and assessment

- Subject Studies and General Professional Studies strands (lecture workshops)  
(Specialist link tutors)
- 2 main assignments + other Directed Activities
- 24 weeks school-based (2 schools – timetable covering key stages 3, 4 and 5 – mentor support)
- Classroom teaching assessed by college tutor and school mentors

# Pedagogical considerations

- Arabic as a Foreign Language – Arabic as a ‘home/community’ language
- Learner centred interactive model of teaching
- Integration of four skills
- Cultural and cross-curricular content
- etc



## Curriculum Guide

<http://www.gold.ac.uk/clcl/multilingual-learning/curriculumguides/>

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# Building a professional development culture

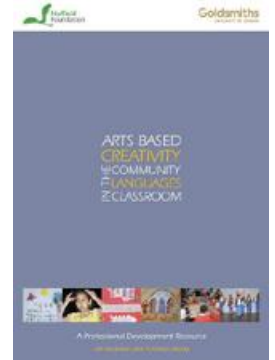
Co-ordinated strategy involving:

- Protecting and building on achievements over recent years
- Networking
- Sharing good practice  
Arabalicious (Mr Taoufiq Cherkaoui)  
<http://arabalicious.com/>



# Building a professional development culture

- Links between mainstream and complementary sectors
- Collaborative projects / International school linking
- Recognition and celebration of achievement



Ofsted report on Bellevue School in Bradford where Arabic and Urdu are part of the main Languages curriculum (Jan 2012)

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/good-practice-resource-raising-achievement-of-students-for-whom-english-additional-language-belle-vu>

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