

MPTA training for TAs: Improving pupil independence

Research indicates that quality feedback on learning and the development of metacognition skills can boost pupil attainment. This course provides TAs with the skills to scaffold learning and help pupils become confident, independent learners.

Based on our acclaimed book, *The TA's Guide to Effective Interaction*, this course introduces TAs to our scaffolding framework, and provides practical strategies and reflective activities. The course is suitable for teaching assistants, learning support assistants and other classroom support staff who support learning in all settings and at all stages.

Our training packages

We offer two training packages: **core** and **extended**. Duration of each session is three hours. See overleaf for details of delivery models and costs. We recommend 30 TAs max. per session.

MPTA Core training	MPTA Extended training (Core, plus session 3)
Sessions 1 and 2	Session 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Latest research and guidance on the complementary roles of teachers and TAs • Scaffolding as a framework for developing pupil independence • Reflect on practice and develop specific scaffolding strategies • How to contribute to assessment for learning • Planning changes to practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective delivery of intervention programmes • Supporting collaborative group work

Additional MPTA training for teachers

With each option, you can elect to receive our 1½ hour training for teachers, **MPTA: What teachers need to know**. This twilight-length session provides teachers with essential knowledge of how to plan for and deploy TAs in the classroom, and equips them to make full use of TAs' new MPTA skills.

MPTA: What teachers need to know training may not be possible for options where the TA training is being delivered for TAs across a number of schools – unless it can be arranged for all teachers to attend the session on the same site. Input for teachers must be scheduled for the same day(s) as the sessions for TAs. There is no maximum limit to the number of teachers that can attend.

MPTA training for TAs: Improving pupil independence

Our training delivery models**

We offer two training packages: **core** and **extended**. Duration of each session is three hours. Other models of delivering MPTA, and training larger groups, might be possible, but is likely to incur additional costs. Please contact us to discuss your needs.

Option	Package	Days	Coverage	Examples
A	Core	1	Sessions 1 and 2 delivered over 1 day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inset for 1 school, or group of small schools. TAs and teachers trained in 1 day • Full day training for TAs, organised by LA, MAT, TSA, etc
B	Core	2	Session 2 delivered 3-4 weeks after session 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows TAs to trial and test new skills through gap tasks, and revisit and consolidate in session 2
C	Core	2	As Option B, but session 1 delivered twice on day 1, and session 2 delivered twice on day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows school to release TAs in 2 groups; half for AM training and half for PM training • Good for training larger groups of TAs across several schools. 1 trainer can train up to 60 TAs in 1 day
D	Extended	2	Sessions delivered over back-to-back days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economical for international schools, as trainer makes 1 trip rather than 2 trips
E	Extended	2	Session 3 delivered 3-4 weeks after sessions 1 and 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows TAs to trial and test new skills through gap tasks, and revisit and consolidate in session 3

Costs

Option A:

£1,295

Options B, C, D or E:

£1,895

Training costs include packs of resources for a maximum of 30 TAs. Additional packs can be purchased. Costs are not inclusive of trainers' expenses (travel, etc).

** The delivery options and costs listed here apply to MPTA training delivered by the MITA team, based at UCL Institute of Education. The same training is available via our network of licensed MPTA trainers. MPTA licensees operate independently of UCL IOE. We are unable to handle enquiries and bookings on their behalf. The profiles and contact details of MPTA licensees can be found on our website.