NILE ONLINE

Insights from the UK Secondary Classroom

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Do you train future Secondary school teachers?

Do you want to show them a slice of life in the UK and in a UK Secondary school?

This new module from NILE can be run in parallel with your existing pre-service training programmes, giving students the following experiences and activities over 25 hours of online learning:

- UK school classes
- Drama
- Methodology
- UK cultural life

The module provides an opportunity for comparison of two national education systems, as well as strengthening the trainees' cultural understanding and professional English language skills.

Trainers

NILE's highly experienced trainers are experts, not only in their fields, but also in working online with teachers for continuing professional development. Read more about NILE's trainers, their experience and interests at The NILE Team on the NILE website.

Teaching approaches

- We make courses practical and 'hands-on', with reference to relevant theory
- Our courses are participant-centred and collaborative, designed to build knowledge and confidence
- We use activities and tasks to help your trainees apply the course content to their settings
- Courses are broken down into individual units and activities, forming a clear structure.
- Tasks are interactive, involving live online sessions, forums and community walls, and utilise a range of multimedia including images, audio files and videos.

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Overview and outcomes

The Insights from the UK Secondary Classroom module is designed for secondary teacher trainees in order to give them a deeper understanding of how the English education system works and compare it to the education system in their country. Trainees will have the opportunity to observe the kind of teaching that might happen in a UK classroom and discuss areas of best practice. A methodology component allows them to explore some creative and interactive activities for the secondary classroom. Finally, trainees will explore aspects of British identity and culture and reflect on how these fit their experience and understanding of what it means to be a UK resident.

Content

This programme is a 25-hour online module, delivered using a blend of live sessions and independent study with collaborative tasks and tutor feedback. Module content includes:

- An overview of the English education system
- A live Question and Answer session with a secondary professional from a UK school
- Video-based observation of teaching in UK secondary classrooms
- Drama and general classroom activities for the secondary classroom
- Classroom language
- Insights into British culture

The 25-hour module can be delivered over one, two or five weeks, depending on the requirements and preferences of your institution.

Schedule

A 25-hour module, delivered over a time-frame and with class sizes as agreed with your institution.
Live sessions can be recorded for those who cannot attend.

Course Structure		
Unit 1	**The UK Education System**	In this unit, participants attend an introductory live session to get to know more about the course structure and platform. They learn more about the UK education system and compare it to the system in their own country. Finally, they take part in a live Q and A with a UK secondary professional in order to ask questions and explore issues from the content they have explored in the unit.
Unit 2	**Drama in the Secondary Classroom**	This unit explores a wide range of drama games, strategies and methods. These include short activities to energise students and encourage spontaneity, creativity and self-confidence, as well as techniques and strategies which develop language and other skills, such as enquiry skills and performance abilities. These can be used in many areas of the curriculum as well as for language teaching. Participants are asked to collaborate to put what they have learnt into practice.
Unit 3	**Activities for the Secondary Classroom**	This unit looks at what makes an effective classroom activity. This will lead to looking at effective and motivating activities for specific areas of language teaching such as recycling vocabulary and developing both receptive and productive skills, in order to maximise interaction and participation in your secondary learners.
Unit 4	**Inside a UK Secondary Classroom**	The basis for this unit is guided observation of teaching and learning using videos of classes in UK secondary schools. As well as discussing their observations with their colleagues and tutor in a live session, participants collaborate to build a Classroom Language document.
Unit 5	**Insights into British Culture**	In this unit, participants explore a variety of resources to consider what UK Culture and Identity might mean to different people and share with each other how this matches their own impressions and experiences.

Who is the course suitable for?

- **Secondary trainee teachers**
- Participants should have minimum language level corresponding to B1 on the Common European Framework

Requirements and Resources

- Participants need a computer, a headset (with microphone) and an Internet connection. Trainees can do much of the course on a tablet or mobile device, but will need a computer for certain activities.
- All participants have access to NILE's extensive ELT e-library and the NILE digital learning platform to access materials. We also give access to the NILE membership platform, which provides a great range of free resources for ELT professionals and is updated monthly.

Certification

On completion of the course, participants who actively engage in 80% or more of the activities receive a NILE Certificate. Bespoke co-certification with the institution's logo can be agreed.

Cost

Price includes....	
Up to 10 participants	£ 400 per person
11-30 participants	£ 365 per person
31 or more particpants	£ 325 per person

At NILE we are committed to offering the best in language teacher training. As such, NILE Online programmes were developed specifically to recreate the classroom experience and thus our courses are fully-tutored. Participants will benefit from the NILE tradition of excellence in tutoring, materials, support and engagement in each unit they take.

NILE Online is the first online course provider aligned to the Cambridge English Teaching Framework. NILE Online courses are also formally aligned to the Eaquals Framework for Language Teacher Training and Development, and the effort we take to make the NILE Online experience both positive and productive has been recognised by inspections from AQUEDUTO, The Association for Quality Education and Training Online.