

Overview of the Delta

The Delta consists of three separate modules. This modular framework aims to provide an accessible professional development programme by offering flexible entry points.

You can choose to take any or all of the modules, in any order. Each module is assessed independently and separately certificated. Achievement of a Pass in all three modules will give you the full Delta qualification.

Delta Modules can be taken at any stage in a teacher's career. They are suitable for in-service teachers of English in a variety of teaching contexts.

Candidates taking the Delta will normally have an initial ELT qualification and will have had at least a year's ELT experience.

Achievement of the Delta can prepare teachers for more senior teaching roles, or facilitate progression to further qualifications such as MAs in Linguistics and Language Teaching.

Delta Module One

Understanding Language, Methodology and Resources for Teaching

The first module focuses on the background to teaching and learning. The aim of the module is to extend and develop candidates' knowledge and understanding of:

- theoretical perspectives on language acquisition and language teaching
- different approaches and methodologies including current developments
- language systems and learners' linguistic problems
- language skills and learner problems
- resources, materials and reference sources for language learning
- key concepts and terminology related to assessment

More information about the Delta and the Module One syllabus is available on the Cambridge ESOL website: www.cambridgeesol.org/exams/teaching-awards/delta-modular.html

Taking Module One at St Giles Brighton

We currently offer you two ways to prepare for Module One of the Delta. You can choose from a twelve-week part-time course or a two-week intensive course. The dates for both are published on our website.

The Part-time Course

- The 12-week course is offered in the spring and in the autumn, to prepare you for the June and December exam dates.
- The input sessions take place on Wednesday evenings, with a one-week break in the middle.
- You should expect to spend a minimum of 10-15 hours a week on reading and tasks.
- You will be given pre-session preparation, post-session follow-up in the form of reading and exam-related tasks to complete and submit for feedback.

The Intensive Course

- The two-week course will take place early on in the six months leading up to the exam. This will give you plenty of time after the course to organise your own reading and studying as you work towards the exam.
- The course hours are 9.00 to 3.30, and you will also be given tasks and reading to be completed in the evenings and intervening weekend. The school's self-access study facilities are available for you to use in the afternoons.
- We will give you advice and support to help you make a study plan to enable further reading and exam preparation after the course finishes. This will be your responsibility and an essential part of your success in the exam.

Assessment

- During both courses, most of your written work will be accessed and completed in electronic form using email and/or Moodle (Modular Object-Oriented Dynamic Learning Environment).
- You will be expected to upload and download course-related material before and during the course, therefore regular Internet access is important.
- As the exam is hand-written, some tasks will be completed in this way to help you prepare.

The Exam:

- There are two 90-minute exams, with a 30-minute break between them.
- The exams are on the first Wednesday of June and December each year.
- St Giles Brighton is a Cambridge examination centre so the exam can be taken at the school.
- Successful candidates can achieve one of the following: Pass with Distinction, Pass with Merit, Pass.
- You will receive a statement of results approximately two months after the exam, and certificates are issued about six weeks after this.

Course dates and fees will be updated on our website. For more information about the course or to book, please contact our Brighton Teacher Training team on 01273 682747 or tcb@stgiles-brighton.co.uk.