



## **Certificate of Personal Effectiveness Asdan Pre-Teaching Award (Level 3)**

### **WHY TAKE THIS COURSE?**

This programme has been specifically designed for A Level students who are interested in primary teaching. It provides a link between academic study and practical vocational skills. You must have an interest in primary teaching. You need to be well motivated and hard working in order to complete your portfolio of work. Asdan is a one year programme studied alongside your subjects in your first year at College, which should include at least one National Curriculum subject.

### **WHAT WILL I STUDY?**

The key areas of study will be the primary curriculum, including literacy and numeracy strategies and the foundation stage curriculum. Time will be spent developing skills that are required by teachers such as working as part of a team, planning and organising activities and outings, presentations, developing research skills, group discussions and problem solving.

### **HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?**

You will attend a local primary school one afternoon per week where you will plan and carry out activities. Reports will be completed by the class teacher. You will prepare a portfolio which is divided into six sections for work experience, problem solving, research, presentation, discussion and working with others which includes team work. You will also take part in class debates. The portfolio is made up of 150 hours and you need an overall pass to achieve the award.

### **WHAT SKILLS AND SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS DO I NEED?**

You must complete a Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure application form and obtain CRB clearance to take this programme. You must have achieved or be working towards grade C at GCSE or above in Maths, English and Science. Some Universities are now asking for a grade C or above at GCSE in a Modern Foreign Language to take a Teacher Training qualification, whilst some are asking for a grade B in Maths and English. You need to be organised and have good time management skills.

### **WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?**

Students who take this course usually go on to be Primary School teachers after taking a degree at University.

### **PRIESTLEY EXTRA**

You will have the opportunity to participate in the planning, organising and implementation of a trip or activity of your choice.