



NELTA Moderation Procedures (QTS)

As trainees approach the end of their programme of Initial Teacher Training there will be a Partnership Assessment of the trainee against the Teachers' Standards.

As part of this process there will be internal and external moderation procedures to:

Provide a system of checks and balances within a partnership to ensure that trainees are assessed accurately and reliably
Offer an external perspective on the attainment of trainees being assessed for the award of QTS to help verify the accuracy of the assessments made by the provider

The moderation procedures are as follows:

Internal moderation (first three weeks of June)

Two senior leaders with experience of working with trainee teachers (PCMs) from within the partnership will:

Accompany a NELTA tutor on a Final Assessment visit and make an assessment of the trainee using all of the evidence available:

- Tutor and mentor to observe the trainee teach
- Tutor and mentor to feedback to the trainee – 30 minutes
- Tutor and mentor to meet to discuss the submitted PPR2 and discuss and agree grading for the trainee – 30 minutes
- Mentor may be invited to resubmit PPR2 (within a week) if amendments to better reflect the attainment of the trainee are required after discussion and agreement
- Tutor and trainee to go through trainee's portfolio of evidence and self-assessment claims – 1 hour

Attend the examination board in July to moderate the final judgements and to carry out a compliance check

External examination (last week in June)

An external examiner will be appointed and their responsibilities will include

- A detailed scrutiny of a sample of trainees including all trainees that tutors/internal moderators regard as being on the pass/fail borderline, or possible failures. This will include lesson observations and a review of all of the evidence available
- The production of a written report that includes an evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of the provision observed

The examiner will visit the trainee in their placement school:

- Examiner and mentor to observe the trainee teach
- Examiner and mentor to feedback to the trainee – 30 minutes
- Examiner to meet trainee
- Examiner to review all the available evidence – Professional Practice Reports, portfolio of evidence, assignments and tutor visit reports

The examiner will also attend the examination board in July to moderate the final judgements and recommendations for QTS