

Cultural Placements for BA Primary Teacher Education (PTE) Trainees

Faculty of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences 2025/26

Summary of Cultural Placements for Cultural Venue Partners

Cultural Placements at Oxford Brookes University are two-day placements for our final-year BA Primary Teacher Education (PTE) trainees that take place in and around Oxfordshire.

The placements offer our trainees immersive opportunities in learning environments other than schools; complementing the school-based placements trainees undertake as part of their three-year undergraduate course.

In the academic year 2024/25 this short Cultural Placement takes place on **Thursday 16th and Friday 17th October 2025**.

All the trainees participating in a Cultural Placement have chosen this as part of their studies. The key academic aim is for trainees to develop as reflective practitioners. A [task workbook](#) has been designed to aid trainees in this reflection during their Cultural Placements.

Trainees are looking to learn about the cultural venue's learning provision for schools and families. This could include shadowing groups being taught in the venue, however this is not an expectation.

After their Cultural Placements trainees cascade the information they have learnt to the wider cohort of trainees. This enables all the trainees in the year group to find out about the learning provision at multiple cultural venues. This is therefore an excellent way for cultural venues to highlight their services to schools.

In addition, after the Cultural Placements trainees use their knowledge and experiences in an assessed assignment which requires them to examine pedagogical practice that integrates learning from cultural venues with educationally purposeful cross-curricular and

creative learning back at school. Examples of these assignments are shared in the [Online Gallery sections](#) of the [BA Primary Teacher Education \(PTE\) Cultural Placements site](#).

The Partnerships & Placements Team are here to support trainees and providers to ensure all parties make the most of this opportunity. Please do not hesitate to contact us: education-schoolexperience@brookes.ac.uk