



Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant

Take your support role further by developing expertise in areas such as SEND, behaviour, or curriculum support. Ideal for experienced TAs looking to specialise and lead within their setting.

Why Choose ACL?

ACL's Education programmes are perfect for those who want to support learning in schools. Whether you're helping in the classroom or specialising in SEND, you'll gain the skills and confidence to make a real impact.

- Learn how to support pupils effectively
- Build your skills in behaviour, inclusion, and communication
- Progress from Teaching Assistant to specialist roles
- Study flexibly around your school hours
- Be part of a trusted, community-focused provider

Progression Opportunities

After completing this programme, you could move into SEN coordination, behaviour support lead, or teacher training pathways

Modules Included

During this programme, you will study a wide range of topics, including:

- Equality, equity, diversity & inclusion
- Relevant legislation and frameworks
- Plan and adapt activities using specialist knowledge
- Carry out assessments
- Plan teaching under supervision
- Build relationships with colleagues and agencies
- Advise and support parents/carers
- Evaluate strategies for quality outcomes
- Manage behaviour
- Reflect and share best practice
- And much more!

Typical Duration

This apprenticeship can typically be completed within 24-27 Months.

Training Method

Online, live workshop sessions, research, assignments and learning in the workplace.

Assessment Method

This apprenticeship will be assessed via the following methods:

- Observation with questioning
- Portfolio to support a professional discussion

Apprenticeship Assessment (AA) Organisation

Steadfast

Costs & Funding

This programme has no cost to the apprentice. Employer costs are as follows:

Total non-funded cost: £12,000

- **Apprenticeship Levy**

For Employers with Payroll Over £3m: 0.5% of payroll allocated into an apprenticeship account. 100% funding available for eligible apprenticeship training.

- **Non-Levy Paying Employers**

For Employers with Payroll Under £3m: 95% government-funded apprenticeship training. Only a 5% employer contribution required.

- **Levy Transfer Service**

ACL Essex can connect non-levy paying employers with levy-paying businesses willing to transfer unused funds, covering 100% of training costs.



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