



# **ATS: Advanced Teacher Status**

**THE BADGE OF ADVANCED PROFESSIONALISM AND  
MASTERY IN FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING**



# ELIGIBILITY

**ATS applicants will need to meet the following criteria:**

- have been awarded with Qualified Teacher Learning Skills (QTLS) or Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) for at least one year before starting their portfolio
- have held their initial teacher education qualification for a minimum of four years prior to starting their portfolio
- be teaching or training in a post-14 setting (including training colleges) for an average of eight hours a week (or equivalent annualised hours) for the duration of undertaking ATS.

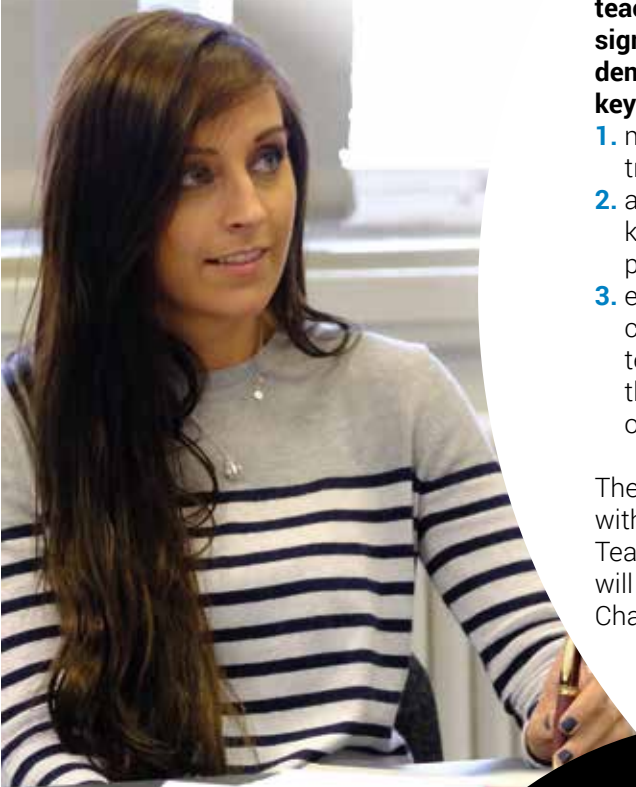
# ADVANCED TEACHER STATUS

Advanced Teacher Status (ATS) is the badge of advanced professionalism and mastery in further education and training. It is conferred by the Education and Training Foundation (ETF) through the Society for Education and Training (SET).

ATS will offer a significant step up from QTLS to recognise advanced teachers and trainers with significant experience, who can demonstrate, at a high level, three key attributes:

1. mastery in teaching and/or training
2. an exemplary level of subject knowledge in their area of professional expertise
3. effectiveness in working collaboratively to improve teaching standards amongst their peers and within their organisation or network

The ETF has worked closely with the Chartered College of Teaching to ensure holders of ATS will automatically be conferred Chartered Teacher Status



# THE BENEFITS OF ATS

ATS is a deserved and highly sought badge of recognition for advanced teachers and trainers, offering a progression pathway for those who have achieved QTLS.

## **Achievement of ATS will allow applicants to:**

- demonstrate to employers and colleagues their mastery in teaching or training
- advance their career and progress to more senior roles
- use ATS as a designation in their signature and profiles
- upgrade their SET membership to Fellow

## **Undertaking ATS is an excellent developmental opportunity enabling applicants to:**

- reflect on their practice to further improve their teaching and learning skills
- critically evaluate their practice and build collaborative relationships with colleagues and learners, developing skills in mentoring colleagues to bring about changes in their own and others' practice
- maintain and update their subject knowledge and educational research
- collaborate with employers, where applicable
- contribute to organisational development and quality improvement
- develop curriculum or teaching and learning leadership skills



# HOW TO REGISTER AN INTEREST IN ATS


You can register your interest by providing your contact details on the 'ATS Registration of Interest' form on [set.et-foundation.co.uk/ats](http://set.et-foundation.co.uk/ats) at any time

## To formally apply for ATS:

- Be a member of SET
- Check when the next application window is open
- When the window is open, check you meet the eligibility criteria
- Complete an ATS application form, downloadable from the website
- Provide two supporting testimonies demonstrating high level teaching and learning, and improvements in learner outcomes
- Provide a CV outlining evidence of up to date subject knowledge, qualifications and employment



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## FEES

The cost for undertaking the programme is £750.

Payment may be made in full once your ATS participation is confirmed, or in instalments by direct debit.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** about ATS and the registration process visit [set.et-foundation.co.uk/ats](http://set.et-foundation.co.uk/ats) or contact the SET Membership Enquiries team on 0800 093 9111.

# ABOUT SET

The Society for Education and Training (SET), the only membership body dedicated to professionals working across further education, vocational teaching and training who strive for excellence in all they do.

With 17,000 members and rapidly rising, we are the largest membership body in the education sector.

SET (through its parent organisation, the ETF) is the only body that can confer QTLS and ATS status.



Striving for  
Excellence

In order to apply for ATS, you need to be a member of SET. This will give you access to a range of benefits, as part of SET membership:

## Your career

- Your passport to QTLS status and further pathway to ATS
- Exclusive access to our online resource library of essential CPD content, powered by EBSCO, as well as an e-learning platform and discounts on ETF's CPD courses

## Your profession

- Be part of ETF, promoting and championing the quality of the sector's teachers, trainers, assessors and leaders
- Receive our highly-regarded *inTuition*, the most widely-read journal for those working in post-16 education
- Measure and demonstrate your development progress, with our online self-assessment and CPD planner, underpinned by the Professional Standards

## Your community

- Reach out and contribute to your SET community via member-only webinars, local network groups and facebook communities
- Become a valued mentor on our mentoring service, or gain valuable support from the service as a mentee

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