

Introduction

All those invited to a STTORMM GTP interview must satisfy the following **Qualification Requirements** at a **Pre-Interview Check**. Any interviewee unable to satisfy STTORMM's pre-interview check requirements will have their offer of a GTP interview withdrawn.

Qualifications requirements

The following qualifications are statutory requirements for all entrants to Initial Teacher Training:

- a first degree of a United Kingdom higher education institution (or equivalent qualification)
- a standard equivalent to a grade C in the GCSE examination in English
- a standard equivalent to a grade C in the GCSE examination in Mathematics
- a standard equivalent to a grade C in the GCSE examination in Science (those who intend to train to teach pupils aged 3-11 only)

STTORMM is responsible for ensuring that it meets the ITT requirements (www.tda.gov.uk/partners/ittstandards.aspx). The procedures detailed in this document have been agreed by the STTORMM Management Group. There is no flexibility available to any interviewee around any of these procedures. Application of these procedures is at STTORMM's discretion.

If you are considering an application to STTORMM for the GTP you must be aware of the **Pre-Interview Check** requirements detailed in this document and you are strongly advised to ensure that evidence of your qualifications is readily available. Applications to Exam Boards for evidence of qualifications can take some time and cannot usually be fast-tracked. **Do not wait until invited to interview before locating evidence of your qualifications. GET THEM IN PLACE NOW.**

Degree qualifications

Degree Certificates are the only acceptable means of evidencing the award of a degree. A transcript of results or a letter from your University describing your award is **never** acceptable.

GCSE qualifications

Evidence of GCSE Qualifications must be an official document which has been produced by the Exam Board of the GCSE in question. A letter from the school at which you sat your GCSE exams is **never** acceptable.

The original certificate(s) issued by your Exam Board(s) which you received following the award of your GCSEs is always the best way of evidencing GCSE Qualifications. In the event that your original certificate is unavailable you will need to contact your Exam

Board who will be able to issue a duplicate certificate, Statement of Results, or similar. Any such document is likely to satisfy the Pre-Interview Check requirement. The transcript that you received on results day is **unlikely** to be an acceptable way of evidencing GCSE Qualifications. In particular, a transcript (or any other document) marked 'provisional' is **never** acceptable.

Equivalence tests and GCSE-equivalent qualifications

Evidence of Equivalence Tests or GCSE Equivalent Qualifications must be an official document which has been produced by the awarding body of the qualification in question.

STTORMM recognises the GCSE Equivalence Tests offered by Equivalency Testing (www.equivalencytesting.com/contact.htm). STTORMM **may not** recognise GCSE Equivalence Tests offered by other accredited providers and you are advised to check the validity of such tests before submitting your application.

There is a wide range of qualifications available which are advertised as GCSE Equivalent. STTORMM **does not** guarantee to recognise all such qualifications. In particular, Level 2 key skills in application of number and communication, and certificates in Adult Literacy and Adult Numeracy, are **not** sufficient to meet the requirements for entry to ITT.

If you are in any doubt over the validity of your qualifications you are advised to check with STTORMM prior to submission of your application.

Qualifications awarded overseas

Qualifications awarded overseas **must** be accompanied by verification from UK NARIC (www.naric.org.uk). This requirement applies to all qualifications awarded outside the UK, including those awarded in the Republic of Ireland.

Pre-Interview checks

Those invited to interview will be required to attend **Pre-Interview Checks**. Any interviewee unable to satisfy STTORMM's pre-interview check requirements will have their offer of a GTP interview withdrawn.

All those invited to GTP interview by STTORMM will be required to present **in advance** of their interview and **in person** the following:

Qualifications

- Degree Certificate
- Evidence of GCSE Maths at Grade C or above or its equivalent
- Evidence of GCSE English at Grade C or above or its equivalent
- Evidence of GCSE Science at Grade C or above or its equivalent (primary interviewees only)

Interviewees are required to present both originals and photocopies of the above.

Identity

- Photographic personal identification, eg passport **or** driving licence
- Two documents confirming name and home address eg utility bills issued within the last six months

Interviewees are required to present both originals and photocopies of the above.

Change of name

Where there has been a change of name which results in the name printed on qualifications not matching the name printed on identity documents, official documentation which records this change will be required. One of the following documents will be required in such circumstances:

- Marriage certificate
- Deed poll

Interviewees are required to present both originals and photocopies of the above.