

Name of the Council	General Teaching Council for Wales
Short presentation of the Council Tasks	<p>The General Teaching Council for Wales (GTCW) is the statutory self-regulating professional body for the teaching profession in Wales.</p> <p>Our aims are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to contribute to improving standards of teaching and the quality of learning • to maintain and improve standards of professional conduct amongst teachers <p>in the interests of the public.</p> <p>We work to raise the status of the profession through greater public understanding of what is involved in teaching.</p> <p>The GTCW has three roles:</p> <p>Regulatory role</p> <p>We maintain the Register of qualified teachers in Wales. All qualified teachers teaching in state schools in Wales must be registered with the GTCW. We set out the professional expectations of teachers in our <i>Statement of Professional Values and Practice</i>. We are responsible for investigating and hearing cases of professional misconduct or incompetence on the part of registered teachers.</p> <p>Advisory role</p> <p>One of our key roles is to advise the Welsh Assembly Government and other organisations on teaching issues, for example, continuing professional development and the recruitment, retention and supply of teachers. We do this through the development of policy positions and advice and by responding to consultations.</p> <p>Operational role</p> <p>We can carry out activities to promote the continuing professional development of teachers and teacher recruitment. Currently, we administer funding programmes for the Welsh Assembly Government designed to meet teachers' professional development needs during their first three years and, thereafter, throughout their careers.</p> <p>We also determine the award of Qualified Teacher Status and issue Induction certificates to new teachers who meet the required standard after one year of teaching. We are also the independent appeals body for teachers who wish to appeal against the outcome of their induction year.</p>

<p>Annual work programme Summary and Priorities</p>	<p>Objective 1 to maintain and promote the highest standards of professional conduct and practice</p> <p>1.1 Administering the award of Qualified Teacher Status 1.2 Maintaining and developing the Register of qualified teachers 1.3 Issuing Induction certificates and hearing Induction appeals 1.4 Reviewing and publicising the Statement of Professional Values and Practice 1.5: Maintaining standards of conduct and competence</p> <p>Objective 2 to provide an independent, representative and authoritative voice for the profession on teaching issues</p> <p>2.1 Contributing to the development of advice and policy on teaching issues 2.2 Responding to consultations and contributing to working groups 2.3 Being an informed, knowledge-based organisation</p> <p>Objective 3 to develop a culture of professional development amongst teachers</p> <p>3.1 Establishing a Professional Development Framework 3.2 Administering funding for Induction and Early Professional Development (EPD) 3.3 Managing the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Funding Programme 3.4 Disseminating the continuing professional development activities of teachers</p> <p>Objective 4 to communicate the positive contribution of the teaching profession to society</p> <p>4.1 Highlighting the work of teachers 4.2 Working with other stakeholders to promote teaching as a high status profession 4.3 Increasing the awareness amongst teachers of the work of the Council</p> <p>Objective 5 to provide efficient, effective and robust finance, personnel and administrative systems that support the delivery of the Council's objectives</p> <p>5.1 Internal control and value for money 5.2 Planning, policy review and development 5.3 Staffing and staff development 5.4 Council members</p>
<p>Recent publications Summary and links</p>	<p>Corporate Plan 2009-12 http://www.gtcw.org.uk/documents/corporate_plan/GTCW_Corp%20Plan_09-12_(E).pdf</p> <p>Operational Plan 2009-10 http://www.gtcw.org.uk/documents/foi/Operational_Plan_2008.pdf</p> <p>Statistics Digest 2009 http://www.gtcw.org.uk/statistics.html</p> <p>GTCW Policy position on <i>The contribution of future inspection arrangements in Wales to a holistic approach to continuous improvement</i> http://www.gtcw.org.uk/documents/consultation_responses/Councils%20position%20on%20future%20inspection%20arrangements.pdf</p>

	<p>GTCW Policy position on <i>Initial Teacher Education and Training (ITET) – The role of the General Teaching Council For Wales</i> http://www.gtcw.org.uk/documents/Position_Papers/Council_position_on_the_accreditation_of_ITET_October_2008.pdf</p> <p>GTCW Policy position on <i>Coherence And Consistency In 14-19 Education - the case for professional self-regulation in Further Education</i> http://www.gtcw.org.uk/documents/Position_Papers/Coherence_and_consistency_in_14-19_Education.pdf</p>
<p>Publications/ documents on the conference theme: Guidance through transition moments in the learning pathways</p>	<p>No publications on this theme.</p>