

Personal Information:

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| Name | Nick Allen | Main Subject | Physical Education | Second Subject | Maths Computer Science |
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My academic qualifications:

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| School/College | University |
| Keira High School (Australia) (2005 – 2009) <u>School Certificate (GCSE Equivalent)</u> : Mathematics (B8), English (B), Science (A), History (D), Personal Development, Health and PE (A), Physical Activity and Sport Studies (A), Japanese (A), Geography (B) (A is the maximum grade for Australian School Certificate, A* does not exist) Durham Sixth Form Centre (2010 – 2013) <u>BTEC Level 3 Diploma</u> : Sports Development, Coaching and Fitness (DDM) | Northumbria University (2014 – 2017) <u>BSc (Hons)</u> : Applied Sport and Exercise Science (2:1) North East Partnership SCITT (2020 - 2021) <u>PGCE and QTS</u> : Secondary Physical Education (Pending) |

The experience I have had in schools:

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| PGCE Placements | Kingsmeadow Community School , Gateshead (September - December 2020) Whitburn Church of England Academy , Sunderland (January - June 2020) |
| Undergraduate Placements | Soccarena , Durham (January - April 2017). Work Experience Placement - Football Coach, Official, Fixture Planner |
| Other Placements and / or Employment in Schools | Mary Astell Academy , Newcastle (November 2017 - July 2020). Teaching Assistant, Behaviour Support |

The strengths I have within my main subject area:

| Sporting Strengths | NGB/Other Coaching Awards | Teaching Strengths |
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| Competition Level: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Football (Currently play semi-professionally for Consett AFC in the Northern League Division 1) Recreational: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Weightlifting/Resistance Training Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Previously I have been selected to represent my school in Table Tennis, Cricket, Athletics, Cross Country, Rugby and Badminton. I have played Football at County standard representing Durham County FA at U18 level | <ul style="list-style-type: none">FA Level 1 Football Coaching Badge (2012)Institute of Swimming - Introduction to Teaching the Four Strokes (2020)Hockey Teachers Workshop (2020)Youth Mental Health First Aid Award (2020)Introduction to Teaching Handball Course (2020)Level 2 Dodgeball Coaching Award (Pending)Level 1 Ultimate Frisbee Coaching Award (Pending)ECB Secondary Teachers Cricket Award (Pending)FA Secondary Teachers Football Award (Pending)British Gymnastics Level 1 and 2 Teachers Trampoline Award (Pending)Emergency First Aid at Work Qualification (Pending) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Strong subject knowledge in a range of activities as a result of my own sporting background and the wide range of CPD opportunities afforded to me during my PGCE course. I am confident teaching across all areas of activity in KS3 and KS4 core PEI have attended CPD in all aspects of examination PE and during the course of my PGCE will have opportunities to teach at KS4 and KS5I consider my key teaching strengths to be my ability to motivate low ability pupils in practical PE via fun and engaging lessons, my ability to build excellent rapport with pupils inside and out of the classroom and my own sporting ability which enables me to teach skills and techniques via explanations and demonstrations |

My personal skills and qualities:

I gained valuable experience working in a PRU with ex-mainstream students and students with SEND. My initial role was that of a Teaching Assistant before accepting a Behaviour Support role towards the end of my employment. I aided the delivery of PE and Sports Leaders Awards to a range of year groups. Working closely with the PE teacher, I also ran successful sporting events, including a sports day and inter-school sporting fixtures. I welcomed the responsibility of acting as the Internal Verifier for the Sport Leaders Qualifications and regularly supervised out of school trips, acting as the lead member of staff on some occasions. I am comfortable with logging and tracking behaviour as well as applying the necessary reward systems that encourage students to excel. This experience has been invaluable during my teacher training year where I have been able to 'hit the ground running'. I have displayed strong communication skills with various groups and communities and find building rapport and strong relationships with students a relatively easy task.

My other interests and hobbies:

As an individual who is passionate about sport and physical activity, I enjoy keeping active and regularly attend the gym in my spare time. I play football semi-professionally and spend a few days a week either training or playing fixtures. Away from sport and exercise, I love spending time with my friends and family. However, when entertaining my own company, I enjoy listening to podcasts on various topics such as business or self-development. I also get joy from reading books and am currently in the middle of reading 'The Rules of Wealth' by Richard Templar.

Preferred location:

UK or Abroad