

## Focus on Initial Teacher Education

A 20-page feature illustrating the best of students' work in initial teacher education

Earlier this year, DATA's ITE Group sent a letter to universities and colleges in England, inviting them to contribute to this feature by describing the courses and facilities they offer and illustrating work done by their students.

What follows is a snapshot of the range of work covered in design & technology courses. Reading them, it soon becomes clear that although many courses bear the same title, each of them has an individuality, and each institution offers a different educational ethos. Some work shows the development of personal capability, some shows that of professional application, all of it shows the diversity of approach and outcome available within current courses.

In spite of repeated changes to the National Curriculum and the Technology component in particular, institutions have risen to the challenge and are clearly making every effort to ensure that those teaching D&T have the broadest possible education and experience. Most institutions evidently found it difficult to restrict themselves to the limits of space which this feature imposed, and would have found it a more pleasant task to fill twenty pages on their own. In addition to the work described, most institutions also offer a range of courses for both postgraduate students and in-service education.

Further information is available from all the institutions featured here; for more details, contact them at the addresses below.

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