



Bexhill Academy

Position: Head of History with a possibility of including Head of KS3 Philosophy and Ethics for the right candidate

Salary/Hours: Main/upper pay scale plus
TLR 2B for Head of History (currently £5,727)
TLR 2C for Head of History including KS3 Philosophy and Ethics (currently £8,397)

Closing Date: 9am, 15 May 2025

Interview Date: WB 19 May 2025



Dear Candidate

Thank you for your interest in joining us at Bexhill Academy. We are a happy and supportive team where wellbeing matters.

Bexhill Academy is part of the Attwood Academies Trust. We are a larger than average 11-16 mixed school serving the coastal town of Bexhill-On-Sea, East Sussex, with approximately 1500 students currently on roll. Bexhill is seaside town renowned for the De La Warr Pavilion and being the home to the first British motor race!

Working at Bexhill Academy, whether as support staff, an ECT, an experienced teacher or a leader, there is an opportunity for you to work with some passionate, hardworking and inspiring students and staff. The Bexhill community is a very special place and we are privileged to be working in a state-of-the-art building with modern facilities throughout.

At Bexhill Academy, we encourage students to aim high and we support them in pursuing their dreams. We offer challenges to all abilities stretching the minds of the most able to become enquiring and independent thinkers, yet offering support to those who find their studies more challenging.

We offer a number of excellent staff benefits for our employees including a comprehensive Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) and a Healthcare Scheme.

We are partnered with Mulberry Multi Academy Trust in London which has excellent CPD opportunities so we encourage and support progression. There is so much on offer for you at Bexhill Academy.

If you are passionate about your career and what you can offer to Bexhill Academy, we would love to hear from you.

We look forward to meeting you,



Dr Craig Neal

Headteacher

Job Advert

Bexhill Academy is seeking to appoint an inspirational, creative and enthusiastic Head of History (and Philosophy and Ethics). This is an exciting time to be part of the Bexhill Academy team with its clear direction, and superb support from Governors driving forward focussed improvements.

The successful candidate will require exceptional interpersonal skills alongside an ability to set a vision, confidently nurture, and develop staff so that children are inspired to love History.

In return, we can offer an environment where you will gain whole school experience and learn much on your journey of career progression.

Our school is unique, exciting and innovative – our philosophy is inclusive and founded on respect. If you feel this fits with your own value set and you have a track record of leading change, raising standards and you strive for excellence, then this might be just the role for you.

We aim to recruit staff who:

- Love the processes of teaching and learning and are keen to continually develop their own skills;
- Recognise that teaching can be a demanding job and react positively to those demands;
- Will subscribe to the ethos of the Academy and be committed to get the very best from our students;
- Take every opportunity, in and out of the classroom, to talk to students, model expected behaviours and build positive relationships;
- Remain at the forefront of pedagogy, educational research and debate.
- See themselves as having the potential to become senior school leaders of the future.

Pre-Application enquiries are encouraged. Please contact recruitment@bexhillacademy.org for more information.

Please see our website www.bexhillacademy.org under 'about us' and then 'recruitment' for more details and to access the application form.

Please note that we do not accept CVs or approaches from agencies. Completed Bexhill Academy application forms should be sent to recruitment@bexhillacademy.org

Bexhill Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young children, therefore all positions are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check (DBS).

Job Description

Teaching and Supporting at Bexhill Academy

Teachers and support staff at Bexhill Academy make the education of their pupils their first concern. They seek to achieve the highest possible standards in work and conduct, act with integrity and have strong subject knowledge. Through endeavour, they keep their knowledge and skills as current as possible, remaining at the forefront of pedagogy and educational research.

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Accountable to: Assistant Headteacher

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Principal Accountabilities:

Leading and Managing the Departments:

Overseeing all aspects of the history (and philosophy and ethics) department's operation, including curriculum development, teaching and learning strategies, and staff development.

Raising Standards of Teaching and Learning:

Ensuring that all history (and philosophy and ethics) teachers are delivering high-quality lessons that are engaging and effective, and that all students are making good progress.

Supporting Staff:

Providing guidance and support to history (and philosophy and ethics) teachers, helping them to develop their skills and expertise, and ensuring that they have the resources they need to do their jobs well.

Overseeing the Development and Implementation of Effective Teaching Strategies:

Creating and implementing schemes of work, assessment strategies, and other resources that support effective teaching and learning.

Monitoring and Evaluating Progress:

Regularly monitoring and evaluating student progress, and using this data to inform teaching and learning practices and developments of the curriculum.

Contributing to the Wider School Vision:

Working with other members of the school's leadership team to develop and implement the school's overall vision and strategic goals.

Staffing:

Staff Development: Recruitment / Deployment of Staff:

- To take part in the academy's staff development programme
- To work as a member of a designated team and to contribute positively to the team ethos.

Quality Assurance:

To contribute to the quality assurance procedures and policies of the academy.

Management Information:

- To maintain appropriate records and to provide relevant accurate and up-to-date information as appropriate for teaching colleagues/parents and carers and external agencies.
- To be responsible for developing and maintaining personal development records

Communications:

- To communicate effectively with colleagues, the parents of students as appropriate
- Where appropriate, to communicate and cooperate with persons or bodies outside of the school

- To follow agreed policies for communications in the academy

Management of Resources:

- To contribute to the process of the ordering department supplies through the appropriate channel.

Other Specific Duties:

- To play a full part in the life of the academy, to support its distinctive aim and to encourage staff and students to follow this example
- To continue personal development as agreed
- To comply with the academy's health and safety policy and undertake risk assessment as appropriate

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task undertaken may not be identified.

Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.

Employees are expected to be courteous to colleagues and provide a welcoming environment to visitors and telephone callers.

The academy will endeavour to make any necessary reasonable adjustments to the job and the working environment to enable access to employment opportunities for disabled job applicants or continued employment for any employee who develops a disabling condition.

The job description is current at the date shown, but following consultation with you, may be changed by management to reflect or anticipate changes in the job which are commensurate with the salary and job title.

The Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

The successful applicant will be subject to an Enhanced DBS check.

Person Specification

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Education	A broad and balanced educational background at level equivalence of level 4 or 5 as a minimum requirement A good Degree	Higher level education
Qualifications	Qualified Teacher Status A good Degree.	Appropriate additional qualifications
Experience	Experience of effective teaching of History at both KS3 and KS4	Experience of teaching Philosophy and Ethics
Skills Knowledge & Abilities	Excellent subject knowledge. Leadership skills. Excellent communication skills. Good ICT skills and application of supporting teaching. To be organised and able to maintain accurate records. To be able to think and plan strategically and manage the department. To be aware of educational developments in and around the subject. To have the ability to reflect on your own practice.	
Personal Qualities	To be hardworking and committed to the vision of the Academy. To have a willingness to learn and develop new skills. To have the ability to work with initiative. To have the ability to work as an individual and as part of a team. To be focused, aspirational, independent and resilient.	
Commitment and other requirements	Commitment to the excellent education of students and the good standing of the Academy in the local community	

Our School

Creating the Best Opportunities for All

At Bexhill Academy, we strive to create equal opportunities for all our students, ensuring that they have access to the best resources and support to thrive academically and personally. Our inclusive approach celebrates diversity, fostering an environment where students from all backgrounds can learn from one another and develop essential life skills such as empathy, tolerance, and respect. We provide a variety of academic pathways and personalized support systems, tailoring our educational approach to meet the unique needs and aspirations of each student. By nurturing their individual strengths and talents, we equip our students with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in an ever-changing world.

It's important for us to recognise that the little things matter. Smart uniform, manners, kindness, and punctuality are something we promote within our academy as we feel this embeds a deep sense of pride and self-respect within our students.

In conclusion, Bexhill Academy is dedicated to providing an exceptional educational experience that combines academic excellence, personal growth, and a supportive community. We foster a culture of aspiration, challenge our students to reach their full potential, and create equal opportunities for all. Join us at Bexhill Academy, where we believe in the power of education to transform lives and shape a brighter future.

Wellbeing

We understand that well-being is paramount to academic success. Our school offers a comprehensive well-being program for staff and students that focuses on building resilience, promoting a healthy lifestyle, and equipping us all with the tools to manage stress and navigate challenges. Through a range of extra-curricular activities, student leadership opportunities, and community service initiatives, we actively encourage personal growth, self-discovery, and the development of essential life skills. Our dedicated well-being team provides guidance and support, ensuring that staff and students have access to the resources they need to flourish both inside and outside of the academy.