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# Lytchett Minster School

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## **Teacher of Social Sciences Full-time Required from September 2023 Permanent contract**

Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Social Sciences at this school.

We are looking for an enthusiastic and inspirational Teacher of Social Sciences to join a well-qualified and effective team of specialist teachers. The ideal candidate will be committed to realising the potential of students studying Sociology and Psychology.

This information aims to give you an insight into the culture of the school and the specific role being advertised. Full details including application forms and general school details can be found in the Vacancies section on the school website.

This post represents an excellent opportunity for a well-qualified specialist to share in the work of this thriving department and to work with a supportive team housed in exceptional facilities.

## **The Social Sciences Department**

The Social Sciences Faculty is a thriving faculty with four graduate specialist teachers who support the Psychology, Sociology, Health and Social Care and Business Studies curriculum. The faculty's profile within the Sixth Form is high. At Key Stage 4, students follow the Edexcel GCSE course in Business. In the Sixth Form, the A level subjects offered include Business, Sociology and Psychology.

The dominant ethos of the department is one of team work and co-operation. The existing team forms a friendly and supportive faculty who challenge students to the full potential of their ability. Recruitment into the Sixth Form is strong.

## **Post Details**

We are looking for a knowledgeable and skilled specialist colleague with experience of teaching Sociology and Psychology who will inspire students of all ages and abilities, to enjoy and understand the Social Sciences. The successful candidate will work alongside a dedicated, friendly and supportive team, all of whom are committed to both the timeless aspects of good teaching and a willingness to explore new directions. The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate a genuine love and enjoyment of their subjects and skill in working with other members of the faculty.

The faculty is a supportive and welcoming department and will ensure that the successful candidate receives appropriate induction, training and support. We pride ourselves on our strong induction systems which new colleagues always value highly. We also have well developed performance management systems, and a range of professional development opportunities are available such as leadership training and twilight inset sessions.

All teaching staff will be expected to support our lunchtime duties scheme.

# Person Specification

## Essential:

- Qualified Teacher Status and a degree or equivalent in a relevant subject
- A first-class knowledge of Sociology and Psychology to support students' learning
- Knowledge of a range of strategies to promote good progress and attainment
- A genuine enthusiasm for young people and an ability to engage them in learning
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work co-operatively as a team member
- Good oral and written communication skills

## Desirable:

- Experience of teaching across all abilities and Key Stages through a range of media
- A thorough understanding of national education policies and guidelines relating to Social Sciences
- Strong degree in a Social Science subject

## With all of our appointments, we look for excellent teachers who:

- understand the importance of their role as tutor
- ensure that all our students feel valued as individuals, have a real and meaningful sense of their own worth and can aspire to the best that they possibly can be
- enjoy working closely with colleagues, are able to argue a convincing case, are able to listen carefully to their views and are content to rest with, and promote, collective decisions
- are motivators, inspirers but tough enough to establish clear expectations
- have a holistic view of education that values the role of extra-curricular school life by promoting the development of the whole child and a willingness to get involved in and help provide a wealth of opportunities to students
- are eager to innovate and develop their careers

All employees at Lytchett Minster School receive a thorough and personalised programme of induction and support.

If you would like to informally discuss this post prior to applying, please contact Laura Booker, Head of Sociology at [bookerl@lytchett.org.uk](mailto:bookerl@lytchett.org.uk) or Kim Skinner, Head of Psychology at [skinnerk@lytchett.org.uk](mailto:skinnerk@lytchett.org.uk). If you wish to apply for this role, please complete the online application found on the school website [www.lytchett.org.uk/wp/jobs/](http://www.lytchett.org.uk/wp/jobs/). In the letter of application, you will need to demonstrate that you possess the above qualities and give a clear statement of the particular contribution you would be able to make to the school. You should also refer to your areas of expertise in the field and any previous relevant experience.

*Please note that Lytchett Minster is committed to safeguarding & promoting the welfare of children & young people. All appointments made are subject to an Enhanced DBS check.*