

**CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL**

**TEACHER OF HISTORY & POLITICS**

**MATERNITY COVER**

1. The City of London School is an HMC independent day school of 919 boys from 10 to 18. The School has a long standing record of high academic achievement (in 2017 89% of ‘A’ level entries gained A\* - B grades) and there is also much happening in terms of extra-curricular activities. The School moved in August 1986 to magnificent newly-built and newly-equipped premises on a riverside site in the City next to the Millennium Bridge (the main views from the school are St. Paul’s Cathedral, the New Globe Theatre, Bankside Tate Modern Art Gallery and the river from Tower Bridge to Westminster). However, perhaps the major joy of the school is the breadth of its ethnic, religious and social composition, very much reflecting the cosmopolitan mix of modern London.

1. The School wishes to appoint an enthusiastic graduate teacher of History and Politics from 16 April 2018. The post would be from 16 April 2018 to 22 April 2019. This is a marvellous opportunity to join a department which is remarkably successful, even by the school’s high academic standards. There are nine teachers, all of whom teach History throughout the School. It is an exceptionally happy and cohesive department with a strong commitment to extracurricular activities.
2. From Year 6 to Year 9 History is compulsory and we broadly follow the National Curriculum, although staff are encouraged to indulge their particular enthusiasms. Our focus in these years is to cultivate a love for the subject and develop a wide range of historical skills. Our First Form (Y7) loosely cover 1066 – 1485, the Second Form (Y8) cover 1485 – 1750 and the Third Form (Y9) cover the Industrial Revolution, Slavery, Empire and the Causes and Course of the First World War.

1. History is a well-regarded subject at CLS, reflected in the very high take-up for the subject at IGCSE and A-Level. About 95% of Third Form (Y9) pupils opt for IGCSE History (Cambridge International Examinations; International Relations 1919 – 2000, Depth Study Interwar Germany and Coursework on Interwar USA, Stalin’s Russia, or Mao’s China). In 2017 92% of IGCSE candidates achieved an A\*/A. Numbers taking the A Level / Pre U have approached half the year group; usually there are four Junior Sixth (Y12) groups. In 2017 93% of Pre U History entries were the equivalent of A\* - B and every year several A Level History and/or Politics students receive Oxbridge offers for courses such as History, PPE, HSPS and Law (11 offers in total in 2017). A large number of boys choose to study History and/or Politics courses at Russell Group Universities. As of September 2015 the Department embarked on the CIE Pre-U History qualification as its linear programme of study. In their Junior Sixth year students will study various topics on a European paper (Origins of the French Revolution through to Napoleon) and a British paper (Lord Liverpool through to governments of the 1970s). In the Senior Sixth boys will do Coursework and the Russia 1905 – 1924 Special Subject as well as continue with the European paper, covering topics such as Italian and German Unification.
2. Government and Politics (Edexcel) is also popular at A-Level, where students study contemporary British Politics at AS and are offered a choice between courses in Comparative Government (USA) and Modern Political Doctrines and Ideologies at A2. In 2017 74% of students achieved an A or A\*. The School’s location has encouraged the development of a very active Politics Society, run by pupils, which attracts an impressive list of visiting speakers. As of September 2017, a new linear A Level Politics specification has been embarked on comprising the study of UK and US Politics as well as certain Political ideologies.
3. This post would involve teaching the European component of the pre-U (French Revolution onwards) and most likely a component of the new A Level Politics course. The Department shares resources centrally, work cohesively and there is a strong tradition of supporting people for whom these are new areas to teach; this post offers an opportunity to broaden teaching experience.
4. The post would be suitable for a NQT (we do not do SchoolDirect Training) or a colleague with some experience. The School has a proven track record of NQT induction.
5. The department is housed in its own purpose built area based around a departmental office. It is splendidly resourced, both with books, audio-visual and computer facilities in a fully networked school. There is a thriving Historical Society which organises a range of activities and publishes a termly journal. The department also regularly runs trips, this year to Normandy (Year 7), the Western Front (Year 9), and Berlin (IGCSE). There is also a strong tradition of assistance with Games and other school activities.
6. Salary will be paid on the CLS scale (£33450 -£54850 pa 2017-2018).

1. Further information about the School and a copy of the 2011 ISI Inspection report are available on the website. www.clsb.org.uk
2. The City of London School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.
3. An application form and further details are available on the TES website and can be e-mailed the HR Administrator at: recruitment@clsb.org.uk

**Closing date: Noon Tuesday 21 November.**

**Interviews will be held on Friday 1 December.**