

ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

AN ACADEMY TRUST



TEACHER
OF BUSINESS
AND/OR
ECONOMICS

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Thank you for requesting details for the post of teacher of Business and/or Economics. This is an exciting opportunity for someone to join a popular and ambitious curriculum area where standards and levels of student engagement are high. This post is required from September 2018.

The successful candidate will have high expectations and an unwavering commitment to all students maximising their potential through outstanding learning, teaching and support. He/she will also be expected to contribute to working collaboratively in the Humanities department, as well as towards enhancing our provision for enrichment and intervention. The ability to teach Politics would be advantageous, but not essential.

This is an incredibly exciting time in the school's development. In 2013 the school rolled out iPads to all students in KS3 with the aim of personalising learning and preparing our students for life and work in the 21st Century. From September 2016, our commitment to digital technology has meant all students now have an iPad as part of their school equipment. Indeed, whilst we have a long history dating back to 1607, we are a modern school with innovation at the heart of our vision as a learning community. We continually advance our curriculum to be responsive to student need, and invest in the professional development of our staff to keep ourselves at the cutting edge of educational development.

We are very proud of our excellent reputation in the local community, as well as the wider Leeds and Bradford areas and pride ourselves on the quality of education we provide to our students. Our Ofsted inspection of March 2017 confirmed us as an 'Outstanding' school in all areas, where students "attain highly and make excellent progress", where behaviour is "exemplary" and where "teachers go the extra mile to make sure students achieve, feel cared for and thrive within a supportive and productive learning environment" (Ofsted March 2017). Our 2017 'A' Level and GCSE results were outstanding and on many levels were the highest in the school's history: 42.4% of all A-level entries were at A/A* and 76.7% at A*-B; at GCSE over 36% of entries were at the highest grades A/A* or 7-9 contributing to a positive Progress 8 score of +.31. This success was also recognised in The Sunday Times Schools Guide 2018 with Ilkley Grammar School named as the top ranked comprehensive school in the north of England.

As a comprehensive academy, our overriding aim at IGS is to ensure that our students achieve everything that they are capable of – their 'Personal Best' - from Year 7 through to Sixth Form and beyond. We recognise every student as an individual, with different needs and talents, and we work hard together to make sure we support and nurture successful, happy and confident learners who achieve in the widest sense of the word, and not just academically.

Staff wellbeing is also extremely important to the school and we have recently introduced a number of extra-curricular, voluntary 'Wellbeing Wednesday' sessions for staff to access across the school year. The school closes earlier for students on Wednesdays in order to accommodate these sessions as well as to facilitate whole school and departmental staff CPD.

If you are inspired by this opportunity and have the qualities to contribute to our high quality provision, then we would be delighted to hear from you.

As part of your **online application** in the Personal Statement section (no more than 2 sides of A4) please explain:

how your experiences, qualities and skills make you suitable for the post

Closing date for applications is **8am Wednesday 31st January 2018** Interviews will be held: **week commencing 5th February 2018**

If you do not receive an invitation to interview by **4pm Friday 2nd February** we regret you will have been unsuccessful on this occasion; may we take this opportunity to wish you every success in your future career.

Helen Williams Headteacher

Generic Job Description Subject Teacher

Responsible to: Curriculum Leader: Humanities/Head of Business, Economics and Politics

Overall responsibilities: To promote effective learning and excellent student progress through high quality and interesting teaching that engages and meets individual needs.

Summary of core duties:

□ Planning

- > To have secure knowledge and understanding of the subject, syllabuses and schemes of work to allow for confident teaching
- > To plan challenging, structured lessons within the context of the school's Learning and Teaching Policy in the short, medium and longer term
- > To personalise learning to meet the needs of all students, as individuals and as particular student cohorts (most able, SEN, PPI etc)
- > To know and implement the 'How Needs May Be Met' information for students on the SEN Register
- > To take literacy and numeracy issues into account when planning learning sequences
- > To support the development and revision of schemes of work
- > To contribute to the Curriculum Area and Department Improvement Plans, and their implementation

□ Teaching and Learning

- > To set learning objectives and success criteria so you are clear about what students will learn, not just do
- > To employ a variety of strategies to motivate and engage students, including the effective use of e-learning, effective questioning, and a variety of groupings
- > To develop and use the iPad to secure best progress
- > To set regular, quality homework that encourages and consolidates independent learning
- > To work closely with Learning Support Assistants to challenge and support students by scaffolding learning in a variety of ways

□ Assessment for Learning

- > To employ a range of AfL opportunities and ensure effective feedback
- > To monitor the progress of students, set targets for improvement based on prior attainment and ensure they know these and what they have to do to reach them
- > To ensure regular and consistently high quality marking and feedback so students know how to improve
- > To use data for action, intervention and future planning
- > To maintain appropriate records to demonstrate student progress
- > To contribute to requests for progress updates and written annual reports and references

□ Personal Best

- > To promote and manage learning behaviours effectively so students display a thirst for knowledge and a love of learning
- > To promote and support student progress and wellbeing
- > To establish fair, respectful, trusting, supportive and constructive relationships
- > To have high expectations
- > To implement the Personal Best system consistently and fairly
- > To fulfil the role of Form Tutor where necessary and attend assemblies (see Tutor Role)
- > To be familiar with health and safety requirements
- > To know and follow the school Child Protection and Safeguarding guidelines
- > To register students in form periods and every taught lesson

- > To follow the Bradford Code of Conduct for Staff Working with Young Learners (see separate section in Handbook)
- > To communicate and consult with parents as required

□ Enrichment

- > To commit to the Humanities programme of extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities and visits
- > To contribute to other enrichment opportunities across school within year groups, in Learning Communities, in other visits at home and abroad

□ Continuing Professional Development

- > To fulfil the statutory Appraisal expectations
- > To participate fully in CPD opportunities to develop practice further, share learning and be creative
- > To commit to the school's CPD programme
- > To contribute, as appropriate, to the selection, appointment and induction of new staff, including ITT students and NQTs

■ Quality Assurance

> To contribute to the school's self-evaluation procedures, including graded lesson observations, and other QA activities

□ Professional Standards

- > To meet the IGS Learning Standards and DfE National Teachers' and Personal and Professional Standards
- To contribute actively to the ethos, values and aspirations of the school
- > To attend relevant school and parent meetings, and appropriate school events
- > To ensure high standards of written English
- > To meet deadlines and model the highest professional standards in all aspects of school work
- To cover for absent colleagues as necessary in an emergency and within the workforce agreement

VARIATION IN ROLE

Due to the structure of Ilkley Grammar School as an Academy, it must be accepted that, as the Academy's work develops and changes, there may be a need for adjustments to the role and responsibilities of the post. The duties specified above are, therefore, not to be regarded as either exclusive or exhaustive. They may change from time to time commensurate with the grading level of the post and following consultation with the post holder.

Recruitment and Selection Policy Statement

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

Updated April 2016

ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The Humanities Curriculum Area

As a team, Humanities is passionate about learning and enabling students to achieve their full potential. Our team believes Humanities has an increasingly important role in enabling students to better understand the dynamic and changing world in which they live and what it means to be part of it. Teachers' enthusiasm for their subjects ensures that lessons are engaging, enjoyable and accessible to all. Everyone strives to enter into a spirit of teamwork, resource sharing, mutual support and co-operation. This is at the heart of everything we do.

Humanities represents one of the largest, most diverse, dynamic and successful Curriculum Areas in the school. It comprises six different departments covering 12 subjects. These are supported by 23 full or part time staff located in either modern or fully refurbished rooms across the school. Each classroom comes equipped with a digital projector and has access to laptops or computing facilities. Photocopying and reprographics are available for all colleagues.

In KS3, student in Years 7-9 do core History and Geography regularly every week. The same is true for RE as a statutory requirement. In Year 9 students can take early options in Philosophy and Ethics, Business and Law.

The aim is to prepare our students to be 21st century independent learners. A driving factor in this is the use of iPad technology as a way empowering students in owning and leading their learning. The skills taught at this stage are built upon throughout the rest of the key stages.

At Key Stage 4 and 5, the composition of the teaching groups in all Humanities subjects is dependent on the options system. At GCSE most groups tend to be of mixed ability, however, setting may occur where possible.

Nat Adams: Curriculum Leader Humanities

November 2017

Departmental Subject Profile Business, Economics and Politics

Departmental Ethos

Our departmental ethos is very much a reflection of the whole school ethos: 'together we achieve our personal best'. Within our Department, each individual student is encouraged to achieve the very best they can, developing the appropriate skills required for post 16 study and beyond. Government and Politics, Economics and Business Studies provide an insight into how the world works and affects government policy and as such are an essential part of the school's curriculum. Our subjects complement many others areas of the school as well as those in the Humanities Curriculum Area itself.

The Team

There are five members of staff within the department: the Head of Department, two full-time teachers and two part-time members of teaching staff. The department prides itself on very positive relationships between students and staff, extensive enrichment opportunities, excellent levels of contemporary subject knowledge and good examination results.

The Curriculum

Year 9 Business & Enterprise course

Students have the chance to opt for an introductory Business course (non-examined) comprising one double and one single lesson per fortnight. This covers some topics on the GCSE syllabus, such as types of businesses, but largely involves project work to help develop deeper understanding in key areas such as recruitment, location and production. Project based

learning also helps develop student skills, later supporting controlled assessment and project qualifications.

GCSE Business (Edexcel)

Taught over 6 lessons per fortnight in line with all option subjects, this is a popular option and we currently have four mixed ability classes in Year 10 and the same again in Year 11. The course focuses on Business Studies and smaller enterprises in Year 10 and building businesses in year 11.

AS and A2 Economics (OCR)

A Level Economics is increasingly popular in school with over 60 Year 11 students currently expressing an interest in studying A Level Economics from September. Currently there is one class in each year 12 and two groups in year 13. There are eleven lessons per cycle.

AS and A2 Business Studies (AQA)

A Level Business is increasingly popular in school with over 60 Year 11 students currently expressing an interest in studying A Level Business from September. There are eleven lessons per cycle and groups are generally split between at least two and occasionally three teachers within the department. There are currently three groups in year 12 and two in year 13.

AS and A2 Government and Politics (OCR)

The A Level Government & Politics is changing from September 2017. We generally have one class in each year group with around 15 students in each class. In Year 13 students study US politics and, along with other Humanities students, they have had the opportunity of taking part in the biennial Washington/New York trip.

Departmental Resources

The department is based in the new building with 3 main teaching rooms which include a mixed teaching/computer suite and classrooms which are equipped with laptops. We have a large, shared office space with the rest of our Humanities colleagues.

Independent Learning

We believe that independent learning is vital for developing the whole individual and providing a bridge between school-based learning and learning post 16 and 18. We encourage students to find and collect their own information through a variety of research tasks, investigations and projects, directed use of the library and resources on line, the setting of homework tasks and extension projects. Learners are encouraged to work at their own pace and independent reading is deeply encouraged and it is particularly relevant in our subjects, where contemporary knowledge of the world is crucial. We have carried out a lot of work on the use of 'flipped classroom techniques' and have pioneered the use of Google Classroom in post 16 teaching.

General

The department has an excellent reputation, strong results and high expectations of its students. The post would ideally suit an individual who is committed to the continuing development of the department, who has excellent subject knowledge and a commitment to the teaching and learning of business and economics. In your letter of application, please outline how your experience and skills qualify you for this post and the contribution that you feel you can make to the department.

John Comiskey: Head of Business, Economics and Politics

November 2017

ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL Personnel Specification Teacher of Business and/or Economics

Qı	ualification and Training	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Qualified teacher status recognised by the DfE	E	Application form
	Honours Degree in related specialism	Е	and selection process
	Good A-level qualifications	D	'
	Recent appropriate CPD	D	
	Willingness to participate in CPD	Е	
Experience		Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Successful experience of teaching Business and/or Economics to KS5	E	Application and selection
	The ability to teach Politics to KS5	D	process
	Successful experience of delivering a differentiated curriculum to students with a wide range of needs	E	
	Successful experience of managing an effective classroom environment to support student learning and positive behaviour	Ш	
	Understanding and use of good teaching practices	Ш	
	Evidence of the ability to work cooperatively with multi-disciplinary professionals, governors and other agencies	D	
	Experience of e-learning including mobile technologies	D	
	Previous teaching experience	E	
	Previous pastoral experience	D	
Knowledge, Skills and Abilities		Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
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Va	lues	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	A commitment to comprehensive education, equal opportunities and inclusion	E	Application form
	A passionate commitment to achieving the highest standards for all students	E	and selection process
	A commitment to teaching approaches which make learning engaging, challenging, purposeful and effective	E	
	Fully committed to a close working partnership with parents, governors and the community	E	
	An enthusiasm for and commitment to developing enrichment including extra-curricular activities	Е	
	Values equality, trust, happiness, openness and support	Е	
Pe	rsonal Qualities	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Strong 'moral purpose'	E	
	Conscientious and committed to high personal and professional standards	Е	Application form and selection
	Skilled at building and forming productive working relationships with staff, parents and students, with Governors, partners and the wider community	E	process
	Enthusiastic about education and learning	E	
	Able to inspire confidence and remain positive and constructive under pressure, demonstrating characteristics such as integrity, resilience and a sense of proportion	E	
	Self-critical and reflective, able to monitor and evaluate own performance and take action to improve or develop where necessary	E	
	Works well with colleagues and contributes effectively to the team(s)	E	
	Abides by the Academy's policies	E	
	Professional appearance	E	
	Emotionally intelligent	E	
	Sense of humour and perspective!	E	
Eq	ual Opportunities	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Candidates should indicate an acceptance of, and a commitment to, the principles of the Academy's Equal Rights policies and practices as they relate to employment issues and to the delivery of services to the community	E	Selection process
	Commitment to equal opportunities policies relating to gender, race and disability in an educational context	Е	
	cumstances - Personal	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Must be legally entitled to work in the UK (Asylum and Immigration Act 1996).	Е	Selection
	No contra-indications in personal background or criminal record indicating unsuitability to work with children/young people/vulnerable clients/finance (DBS check required).	E	process
	Will not require holiday during term time	Е	

Sa	feguarding	Essential/ Desirable E/D	How Identified
	Has appropriate motivation to work with children and young people, and can relate to them	E	Completion of an
	Ability to maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people	E	Enhanced DBS disclosure
	Displays commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people	E	
	Good knowledge and understanding of the importance of safeguarding students and the welfare of staff, and of the action to take if necessary	E	

Agreed by:	
Post Holder:	
Print name	Signature
Line Manager:	
Print Name	Signature
Date:	