



KING HENRY VIII COLLEGE

Job Description & Information

Teacher of Religious Studies

Appointment for August 2018

School opening September 2018



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in joining the team at King Henry VIII College Malaysia.

King Henry VIII College is a new school, and is a close collaboration between Christ College Brecon, one of the UK's most ancient schools, and DBH Holdings Sdn Bhd of Malaysia. King Henry VIII College will be a fully-fledged sister school to Christ College, and replicate its structure, ethos, and achievements.

Christ College is an historic co-educational independent day and boarding school set in the Brecon Beacons National Park - one of the most beautiful areas of the United Kingdom. King Henry VIII College will have a rather more modern, urban setting in the global tech hub that is Cyberjaya - a rapidly-developing planned township, mid-way between Kuala Lumpur City Centre and KL International Airport.

We intend that part of the induction process for new staff will involve some time in Brecon to get to know the nature of the sister school there, and to meet staff and pupils.

The success of Christ College's first international venture will be down to the quality and dedication of its staff: each new teacher will be a pioneer, and have a vital role in setting the tone at the school, and ensuring the school establishes itself successfully in Malaysia and South East Asia.

We look forward to receiving your application for this teaching role, which is described here.

Best wishes,

Simon Spencer

Founding Head

TEACHER OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Job summary:

All teachers of Religious Studies report to the Head of Humanities, and are expected to teach a full timetable. At both IGCSE and AS/A Level, the Department follows the CIE syllabus. Experience of teaching Religious Studies at AS/A level is a necessity for this post.

We are looking for an inspirational teacher who will put the pupils' needs first, and identify with the ethos of this new sister school in Malaysia. Teaching in the Humanities will be well resourced and an important area of the academic provision.

Candidate profile

The successful applicant will have appropriate professional qualifications, and a clear understanding of professional expectations.

These include, but are not limited to:

- being a dedicated teacher, supporting all children with their learning
- demonstrating excellent subject knowledge
- having a close understanding of the UK National Curriculum
- keeping abreast of developments in their subject and its teaching
- understanding the applications of ICT in delivering their subject
- being prepared to work with pupils from many nationalities
- having a positive approach to working within school structures
- meeting deadlines set by senior colleagues
- sharing good practice
- setting consistently high expectations for pupils
- ensuring lessons are thoroughly planned and prepared
- demonstrating an ability to assess and evaluate effectively
- understanding and applying relevant school policies
- becoming fully involved in the life of the school
- taking part in the School's staff development programme
- contributing to any Departmental co-curricular activities
- keeping up to date with child protection issues
- undertaking any reasonable task as directed by the Head of Faculty
- attend INSET training courses and taking responsibility for CPD
- contributing to the marketing and promotion of the school

Safeguarding:

King Henry VIII College Malaysia is committed to the well-being of all the children in our care, and to all acknowledged Safeguarding procedures.

All teachers at the school must have up-to-date Safeguarding training and understand their safeguarding responsibilities.

Checks & paperwork:

This post - prior to contract - is subject to:

- An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service Check (DBS)
- Formal proof of identity with photo ID (Passport/Driving Licence)
- 2 confidential references (preferably including current Head)
- Verification of original qualifications

Salary:

The King Henry VIII College QTS (or equivalent) salary scale applies

Benefits:

An excellent package of benefits is on offer, including

- Two-year renewable contract (extended each year by agreement)
- Fully-furnished accommodation in an apartment near the campus
- Family transfer at the beginning and end of contract
- Annual travel allowance
- Relocation allowance
- Careful and thorough orientation and induction programme
- International healthcare
- Full EPF contribution
- Generous remission on King Henry VIII College school fees for all children
- Support for professional development

Applications must be submitted on the official King Henry VIII College Application Form.

CV's need not be submitted.

Closing Date for applications: September 30th

Long-list candidates will be contacted by October 9th

Interviews: long-list by Skype; short-list in London / Kuala Lumpur in early November

Please note that attendance at interview is at applicant's own expense.

Working in Malaysia

Working and living in Malaysia is a great experience; like all countries it can have its frustrations, but the climate, the people, the culture, and the region make it a wonderful place to live and work.

The country consists of two different geographical regions separated by the South China Sea - mainland Peninsula Malaysia and East Malaysia (the Sarawak and Sabah region of Borneo Island).

With a mix of cultures and nationalities, Malaysia offers expats first-world comforts and conveniences, whilst still generating a sense of adventure through its easily-accessible jungles and island getaways.

Kuala Lumpur, the capital and largest city in Malaysia, is the financial, cultural and economic centre of the country, and a major hub for international air travel. Among the skyscrapers and Dutch architecture, KL, as it is commonly known, is packed with shopping malls of all sizes, high quality restaurants and colourful markets.

As a cultural melting pot and trade cross-roads, Malaysia has a huge variety of world cuisines and foods readily available. It can often be cheaper to eat out than to cook, if you choose Malay restaurants or cooking. There are restaurants to suit all budgets in Malaysia; the biggest culinary influences are from the Chinese and Indian populations.

Travel within Malaysia is generally cheap and easy, particularly within Peninsula Malaysia. The country has an extensive road and rail network and taxis are easy to come by in the larger cities.

Although separated into two distinct parts, Malaysia's landscape and climate are fairly similar. The country has an equatorial climate, with the southwest monsoon from April to October and the northeast monsoon from October to February. There is a dry season from June to October.

Malaysia is a stable country, eager to attract foreign businesses and investors, ensuring a warm reception for expats choosing it as their new home.