

JOB DESCRIPTION AND PERSON SPECIFICATION

JOB FAMILY	The British International School Budapest, Secondary School.
JOB TITLE	Head of Humanities (Secondary).
JOB PURPOSE	To promote and develop the teaching of humanities subjects and operate as a contributing member of the middle leadership team.
REPORTING TO	Deputy Head, Secondary.
KEY RELATIONSHIPS	Humanities Teachers (History, Geography, Business, Economics); Secondary Heads of Department.
PACKAGE	Competitive remuneration and benefits based on experience.
SAFER PRACTICES	The British International School Budapest 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 references from previous employers in accordance with our safer recruitment practice. Interviews will be conducted in person, and they will explore candidates' suitability to work with children.
START DATE	15 TH August 2018

General Responsibilities

- Promote the mission of the school and of Nord Anglia Education.
- Loyal and supportive member of the school.
- Lead the administration and development of curriculum and learning within secondary humanities subjects.
- Active and contributing member of the middle leadership team.

Core Requirements

The Head of Department is responsible for:

Mission - Promoting the school mission by:

Aspiring to excellence through demonstrating the very highest levels of pedagogical practice. Promoting positive relationships through acting as a model of integrity and respect for the diverse students and teachers.

Acting ambitiously through setting high standards and expectations for achievement and conduct within humanities subjects learning.

Demonstrating and cultivating a responsibility to secure the best possible learning experience for our students.

Student Learning - Ensuring a consistent, engaging and motivating learning experience through:

Comprehensive curriculum planning and documentation, including detailed long and medium term plans.

Improving the quality of teaching and learning through supporting teachers' professional development including observations, collaborative departmental professional learning and engagement with the school wide professional learning opportunities. This includes supporting the IBDPC by identifying requirements for external IBDP training.

Maintaining high standards in teaching and learning through contributing to quality assurance processes including, observations, work and planning scrutiny and professional conduct.

Developing curriculum to ensure that it is balanced, appropriate and in line with school priorities. Maintaining high standards in students' attitudes to learning through the Care and Guidance systems and procedures.

Creating and promoting enrichment opportunities within humanities subjects including but not restricted to within the Co-Curricular Activities programme.

Student Support - Ensure all students achieve through:

The efficient use of data to monitor, identify and intervene to support students to learn effectively and secure the best possible academic outcomes.

The effective use of attainment data used to support smooth transitions between phases.

Department development - Promote a culture of an improving department through an evidence-based approach to the identification of departmental weakness as well as building on strengths through:

Conducting a thorough analysis of annual I/GCSE and IB results.

Identifying and sharing strengths and successes at all levels.

Evaluating the quality of teaching and learning within the department through quality assurance measures.

Compile, review and revisit a departmental development plan.

Communication and community engagement – *Ensure an engaged and informed community through:*

Ensuring reporting is accurate, informative and written to a high standard.

Humanities subjects are represented within school newsletters, social media and other outward-facing literature.

Compile and revise curriculum and learning parent documentation including but not restricted to curriculum guides and options handbooks.

Ensuring communication with parents face-to-face or through written media is productive, timely and professional.

Professional Conduct – Ensure an effective departmental team through:

Promote a collegial, supportive and connected professional network within and across departments built on positive relationships, respectful professional challenge and a desire to improve.

Setting high standards and expectations in professional conduct.

Running productive and effective departmental meetings.

Supporting the broader organisation through engagement with internal and external operational deadlines.

Child Protection - Ensure Safeguarding of all students by:

Passing all Child Protection issues onto the Designated Senior Person for Child Protection.

Personal Development

Continual development through the identification and implementation of your own Professional Review and Development needs to include:

- Continually striving to improve performance;
- Setting and working towards targets with the Deputy Head Teacher Curriculum and Learning, linked to the department and school development plan.

Other Requirements

- Contribute positively to the morale and community spirit in the school;
- Work effectively in different teams;
- Assist in whole school marketing initiatives and contribute to the growth of the school;
- Operate at all times within the stated policies and practices of the school and NAE;
- Maintain an up-to-date knowledge of excellent pedagogy and curriculum;
- Be proactive in professional development to enhance students' learning;
- Meet responsibilities with regard to safeguarding, health and safety, equal opportunities and conform to professional and ethical requirements;
- Any other appropriate duties as allocated by the Principal.

Promote and adhere to the Nord Anglia Education vision and values:

- **Opportunity** for us, opportunities need to be meaningful, about achieving potential and making progress.
- Impact for us, impact is about making a difference. It needs to be immediate, positive and lasting.
- **Leadership** for us, leadership is about considering the team's needs as well as your own, setting inspiring examples, being supportive and showing real accountability and responsibility.
- **Respect** for us, respect is about listening, being inclusive, showing tolerance and getting the little things right.

All staff are required to manage effective personal development as part of NAE's commitment to invest in staff as the key resource.

Each individual must ensure that they meet their statutory responsibilities and adhere to NAE and school policies with regard to Health and Safety, Equal Opportunities and other relevant legislation.

PERSON SPECIFICATION		
Qualifications/Training		
Qualified to bachelor degree level or above.		
Qualified Teacher Status.		
Middle Leadership development course.		
EAL qualification.		
European nationality (for visa purposes).		
Experience		
Proven track record with at least five years' teaching experience.	Essential	
Experience of being part of a highly successful department and school.		
Experience of project and team leadership.		
Demonstrable evidence of innovating and adapting curriculum to engage children and enable them to perform highly.	Essential	
Experience of teaching to IB Diploma Programme level or equivalent.	Desirable	
Experience of the English National Curriculum and (I)GCSE.	Desirable	
Working in partnership with parents.	Essential	
Experience of teaching children for whom English is not their first language.	Desirable	
Skills		
Excellent oral and written communication in English.	Essential	
Ability to engage children and enable them to perform highly.	Essential	
Strong ICT skills and attention to detail	Essential	
Have excellent organisational skills, being able to prioritise and manage a varied workload.	Essential	
Personal Attributes		
Passionate about education and young people.	Essential	
Be approachable, warm, resilient and good-humoured.		
Be proactive and seek guidance where necessary.		
Infectious enthusiasm for learning and for the humanities subjects.		
Evidence of commitment to continuous professional development.		
Culturally agile and adaptable.		
An understanding of the complex environment of an international community.		