

## St. Nicholas School

## A Unique Learning Adventure

The Pinheiros campus is centrally located in a cosmopolitan, attractive and busy part of São Paulo. The campus is a vibrant, stimulating and happy multi-cultural community of 680 pupils from 18 months to 18 years, local and international families and highly a diverse and passionate body of teachers. International students make up a large percentage of the school population and International-mindedness is promoted and celebrated.

The St. Nicholas community is passionate about learning. We have designed a balanced, challenging and 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning experienced inspired and underpinned by the International Baccalaureate PYP and Diploma Programmes. The majority of our diverse body of young learners have English as an additional language and we support their learning in English and also give value to developing home languages. St Nicholas believes that technology is central to learning and we aim to maximise the opportunities for learners to experiment with different contemporary tools.

## Our mission is to ignite a passion for learning, from our hearts, to others, for the world.

## Head of Humanities (with Geography teaching) in the Secondary Section

St. Nicholas School is seeking to appoint a *Head of Humanities who offers significant Geography teaching expertise and who* will enjoy guiding teachers in a highly stimulating and dynamic international environment. Current experience with IB Diploma is essential. Candidates will commit to the IB Diploma and be willing to contribute to the Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essays and CAS. More information about St. Nicholas School can be found at <u>www.stnicholas.com.br</u> <u>www.facebook.com/st.nicholas.sp</u> and <u>https://twitter.com/stnickssaopaulo</u>.

The Humanities Faculty fully contributes to a rich and varied learning environment at St Nicholas where all learners in year 11 and 12 follow a full IB diploma programme. It is a successful, forward thinking and well-run entity where teacher/learners value sharing ideas, resources and experiences. The Faculty offers Geography and History from year 7 to 12 and Business Management, Economics and Global Politics at IB Diploma. The Year 7 to 8 courses are school designed and increasingly concept driven, inquiry-based projects. In Years 9 and 10 learners choose either Geography and History as an IGCSE course and complement this with a Brazilian Humanities course taught in Portuguese. All individual subjects are led by a Head of Department. At Diploma all courses are offered at HL and SL and results are good to Excellent. Curriculum development is on-going and reflects the school's inquiry-based philosophy. The department has interactive board or projectors in all classrooms and laptops and Chromebooks are available for learners. There are six full-time teachers and the faculty counts on exclusive use of five well-resourced classrooms and two additional adequately appointed spaces.



The successful candidate will join a team who will evaluate the learning experience and make recommendations for and lead change towards a concept based, transdisciplinary learning experience across the pre Diploma part of the Secondary section.

Candidates will bring:

- A university degree in the subject offered or a related subject along with evidence of recent professional learning.
- A recognised international teaching qualification with three years' teaching experience
- Significant experience of leadership within an educational setting and a commitment to collaboration and inclusive and distributive leadership
- A commitment to inquiry-based learning and the school's vision and mission
- A commitment to international mindedness and IB teaching philosophy (www.ibo.org)
- A positive and optimistic attitude toward students, learning and education.
- Additional qualities to add to the school community

For expatriate teachers St. Nicholas offers two-year contracts, which are renewable by mutual consent and include:

- A competitive salary paid in Reais
- An overseas allowance based on monthly sterling exchange rates
- Accommodation
- Private medical plan
- Return flights at the beginning and end of the contract
- Visa expenses
- Professional development opportunities
- Portuguese lessons
- An end of contract gratuity
- Fantastic students to learn with

Letter of application should be addressed to Nicholas Thody and accompanied by a curriculum vitae and the names of three referees. Please send to <u>recruitment@stnicholas.com.br</u>.

The school commits to safeguard all members of the community and all staff share in this commitment. All shortlisted candidates will provide references. Successful candidates will provide proof of qualifications, submit to complete and rigorous safeguarding checks.

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