

Job title:	Teacher of Psychology and/or Sociology	Salary:	Main scale + £1600 Mossbourne bonus	Contract term:	Permanent
Responsible to:	HOD and Head of Humanities Learning Area			Responsible for:	

Mossbourne Federation

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The Mossbourne Federation comprises four academies:

- Mossbourne Community Academy (secondary)
- Mossbourne Victoria Park Academy (secondary)
- Mossbourne Parkside Academy (primary)
- Mossbourne Riverside Academy (primary)

Across the four academies operates a Central Services Directorate which supports all the academies delivering services such as estates, facilities, security, ICT, and telecommunications management, together with corporate communications, human resource and finance functions.

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As one of the country's leading academies, it is in the vanguard of school improvement. Working in the local community and within a strong partnership of Hackney schools, Mossbourne will raise aspirations, expectations and achievement for all students and will continue to make a major contribution to the development of educational excellence in Hackney.

The Humanities Learning area

The Humanities Learning Area includes the subjects History, Geography, Religious Studies, Sociology and Psychology. The Humanities Learning Area also has responsibility for the delivery of PSHE and Citizenship to our students. There are currently fifteen Humanities teachers working within the Humanities Learning Area at Mossbourne. The Head of Learning Area oversees management of all staff as well as curriculum and discipline issues within all the Humanities subjects. In addition, we have teachers in charge of Religious Studies, History, Geography, Psychology and Sociology. The Learning Area is extremely well resourced with six fully-equipped classrooms, each with an interactive whiteboard and DVD-playing facilities. The ground floor of the Humanities Learning Area contains thirty computers where classes can be taught and where students can work at break and at lunch times.

The Role

The successful applicant will be a Psychology or Sociology specialist. It would also be desirable if the candidate has the ability to teach either Psychology or Sociology at GCSE and A level. The willingness to teach another Humanities subject at KS3 is desirable but not essential. They will be well organised and willing to go the 'extra mile'. They will hold Qualified Teacher Status (QTS), have a proven track record of successful teaching across different key stages and believe that all students can succeed.

Key Accountabilities

The post holders key responsibilities are, but not limited to:

- Promoting and being committed to the Academy's aims and objectives and to implement Academy policies
- To work with the Head of Learning Area and other staff members to ensure the effective provision of teaching and learning in Psychology, Sociology and Humanities
- To plan and deliver high-quality, differentiated lessons on a day-to-day basis
- To contribute to the development of schemes of work
- To set homework in accordance with Learning Area policy and to mark work regularly to aid progression, keep clear records of attainment and follow up on non-submission
- To keep abreast of developments in your subject and to ensure that these changes are implemented in lesson delivery and schemes of work
- To undertake duties as directed and in accordance with Academy expectations
- To supervise prep and guided reading
- To be a member of the pastoral team and, if required, a form tutor carrying out the associated responsibilities
- To comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.

Person Specification

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Essential [E] or Desirable [D]	Requirements	Assessment Criteria		
		Interview	Application form	Task (lesson)
Experience				
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ability to teach Psychology at KS4, KS5 and Sociology at KS4 or• Ability to teach Sociology at KS4 and KS5 and Psychology at KS4• Another humanities subject at KS3 is desirable• Other combinations will be considered	✓	✓	✓
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• knowledge and understanding of how students learn	✓	✓	✓
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ability to reflect on your own and student performance in lessons and adapt practice accordingly	✓		✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ability to select and devise appropriate	✓		✓

E	teaching methods and resources to meet the differing needs of students			
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> effective planning, assessment and record keeping 	✓	✓	
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ability to work independently and as part of a team, contributing to INSETs 		✓	
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ability to develop and maintain positive relationships with teachers, support staff and parents 	✓		
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> effective classroom management and efficient organisation of resources 	✓	✓	✓
Qualifications				
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a good degree in an appropriate subject (Psychology or similar) 	✓		✓
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) 		✓	
IT knowledge				
D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> expert knowledge of the Microsoft package (Word, Excel, Outlook, Publisher, Power Point) 		✓	
D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ability to swiftly adapt to and utilise new/various systems/software 		✓	
D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> capable of making effective and appropriate use of ICT in lesson delivery and within the learning area 		✓	✓
Behavioural Competencies				
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> excellent analytical and multi-dimensional communication skills 	✓		✓
D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> strategic approach, ability to see the 'big picture' and also think 'outside of the box' 	✓		
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ability to meet ALL deadlines internally and externally ensuring output consistently is of an exemplary standard 	✓		
D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the initiative to work independently with minimal supervision 	✓		
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> must have the upmost integrity as well as high levels of motivation and commitment 	✓		
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> proactive approach and efficient time management and prioritisation skills 	✓		
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> genuine interest and passion for the education of young people and the ability to contribute more widely to the life and community of the Federation 	✓	✓	

Applicable to all staff				
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> undertake training as required to so in order to fulfil the requirements of the role 	✓	✓	✓
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> support Mossbourne's efforts both verbally and non-verbally (i.e. via actions and attitude), including adjusting performance and practice in accordance with Mossbourne's initiatives and findings 	✓	✓	✓
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> play an active role in terms of Safeguarding all students and adults 	✓	✓	✓

Mossbourne Federation reserves the right to modify the above contents in order to ensure the needs of the Federation and the students are being met. The above list is not a comprehensive list; it simply outlines the expectations for this role. Mossbourne Federation provides equal employment opportunities to all employment applicants and employees without regard to race, colour, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability or status. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure. The post holder must be committed to safeguarding the welfare of children.

CEO Signature:

I confirm I understand and accept the duties and responsibilities associated with this role:

Employee Name:

Employee Signature:

Date: