

LAW SUPPORT TUTOR

JOB DESCRIPTION











REPORTS TO: Head of Law, Politics, Economics and Languages

HOURS: Term time, 35 hours per week, fixed-term 12 month contract

SALARY: Non-qualified teacher rate £17,208 - £19,210

PURPOSE: To support Law teaching

START DATE: Tuesday 20th August 2019

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

This is an exciting opportunity to join a highly successful and innovative sixth form college. The College was awarded the UK Sixth Form College of the Year by the TES in 2018 and this followed being graded outstanding in all areas by OFSTED in December 2016. All staff play a vital role in the experience that students have with us and ultimately their success.

The College currently has a 16 to 19-year-old student population of 1400 and is oversubscribed. Consequently, the College is embarking on an expansion project for 2019/2020 as student applications continue to increase year on year.

The College is committed to its core values of **Positivity, Ambition, Resilience** and **Thoughtfulness**, and these values shape everything we do. Our ethos is centred on the scientific evidence that tells us that everyone can achieve success through purposeful hard work as opposed to the talent myth, and as such, the College is in itself an engine for social mobility.

ABOUT THE ROLE

This role is an exciting opportunity for a Law graduate who is considering a career in teaching. In this role you will be planning and delivering BTEC Applied Law sessions. You will be well supported by an experienced team of Law teachers and will have a significantly reduced timetable to support your development and training. It is a highly rewarding role if you are keen to make a difference to the academic progress of young people.

Law is a popular course at the college with over 100 students studying A-level Law (OCR Specification) and over 100 students studying Level 3 BTEC in Applied Law. Law is in a faculty with Politics, Economics and Languages that currently consists of a team of eight teachers, 5 of which are specialist Law teachers who are all experienced, fully qualified graduates. Within the department there is a real team ethos with regular opportunities for collaboration and dialogue with colleagues. The Law department organises a range of exciting enrichment activities and the successful candidate would be encouraged to contribute in this area.

This role is well suited to a strong Law graduate who is passionate about their subject and would like to work with young people in a supportive environment. There is also the possibility of the college facilitating further training towards a recognised teaching qualification following successful completion of your first year.







PERSON SPECIFICATION

Qualifications	Essential	Desirable
Degree in Law	✓	
Experience		
Experience of supporting students or mentoring students in their studies		\checkmark
Knowledge of the OCR linear specification of Law		\checkmark
Experience of working in a demanding environment where high levels of organisation are required	\checkmark	
Experience of working successfully in a team	\checkmark	
Knowledge / Skills / Abilities		
Ability to support the teaching of Law A Level and BTEC	\checkmark	
Up to date knowledge and understanding of educational developments relating to the curriculum area		✓
Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with young people	✓	
Ability to respond flexibly and creatively to new challenges and opportunities	\checkmark	
Ability to work flexibly as part of a team	\checkmark	
Ability to prioritise and meet deadlines	\checkmark	
Excellent communications skills, interpersonal and organisational abilities	\checkmark	
To demonstrate a commitment to:		
The College values of Positivity, Ambition, Resilience and Thoughtfulness	✓	
Personal development and training	\checkmark	
Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of students	\checkmark	
Equality and diversity	\checkmark	

HOW TO APPLY

If you are ambitious and determined to make a meaningful difference in one of the country's leading sixth form colleges then we would be thrilled to have you join our team.

- 1. Please complete the Support Staff Application Form which is available on the College website: www.bsfc.ac.uk
- 2. On a separate document, answer the following specific questions (each question should be answered separately with each answer being no more than 150 words):
 - 1. Aside from your stated qualifications, please outline what you believe makes you academically suited to the position applied for.
 - 2. The College does not currently operate a gifted and talented programme. What is your view on this approach?
 - 3. What do you believe contributes to students success. How could you encourage your students to be successful in their qualifications.



FAST FACTS











WHAT WE DO

- The College is a specialist post-16 provider. This allows all of our staff, all of our systems and all of our work to be solely focused on ensuring the best A Level and BTEC experience and outcomes.
- More students from the College go on to study at university than from any other sixth form in the area.
- Students can choose from 40 A Level and BTEC courses which can be studied in ANY combination.

RECOGNITION

- Winners of the UK TES Award for Sixth Form College of the Year 2018.
- Winners of the Association of Colleges Beacon Award for Social Mobility 2019.
- We are rated as 'Outstanding' in all areas by Ofsted.







OUTCOMES

- Consistently at the top for A Levels in Wirral in terms of students' progress from their starting points.
- In 2018, over 60% of our students achieved top A* B grades at A Level or Distinction* / Distinction at BTEC with an overall pass rate of 99.6%.
- Over 85% of our students headed to university in 2018.
- Other students landed highly respected apprenticeships at barristers' chambers, professional services and more.

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

- As our staff only have to focus on post-16 academic work, they are highly specialised and skilled in this area and so are able to develop and support students in ways that non-specialists might not be able to.
- Every student has an assigned Tutor who helps with navigating College life, university applications, employment options, life-skills & more.
- Attendance and completing assigned work on time is monitored rigorously to ensure students achieve the best possible outcomes.

STUDENT EXPERIENCE

- Students come to the College from nearly 60 high schools across Wirral, Merseyside and Cheshire.
- Students are treated as adults they wear their own choice of clothes, call staff by their first names and can leave campus when not in lessons
- Students enjoy a calm 'university-like' atmosphere and develop their ability to take ownership for their own study and development.
- Students say that the College is fun and friendly and that studying here is a great stepping stone to university.