

Post: Teacher of A-Level Physical Education and BTEC Sport

The Sport and PE department is part of the Sport and Sciences (and Enrichment) faculty. Housed within the Mercers' sports hall the department has five dedicated, well-fitted classrooms as well as a fitness suite and other sporting facilities. Both subjects within the department are currently graded as outstanding as part of the college's self-assessment report.

The projected numbers for the current academic year is in excess of 500 students (323 A Level PE / 188 BTEC Sport): 8 lower sixth A-Level groups, 6 upper sixth A-Level groups and 1 BTEC Extended Diploma, 2 Diploma and 2 Extended Certificate / Certificate in Sport groups, in each year.

The A-Level Physical Education qualification follows the Eduqas specification and are delivered through 5 lessons of 55 minutes per week. The BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport is delivered through 15 lessons (10 lessons for the Diploma / 5 lessons for the Extended Certificate / Certificate) of 55 minutes as well as 2 lessons dedicated to the Higher Sports Leader Award course and 1 course tutorial (in year 1) for students to receive additional support and guidance.

Detailed performance results have been published on the college web-site and consistently the Sport and PE department achieve extremely impressive results which assist the vast majority of students who enter Higher Education.

**GCE Physical Education
A-Level (2023) – 91 candidates**

%	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	A*-B	A*-E
PSC	4.4	13.2	35.2	28.6	11	7.7	0	52.8	100
NAT	5.0	11.8	24.8	25.8	19.2	9.9	3.5	41.6	96.5

BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport (11 students)

% of students and final attainment (22-23)			
D*D*D*	D*D*D - DDM	DMM - MMM	MMP-PPP
18	45	9	18

BTEC Diploma in Sport (16 students)

% of students and final attainment (22-23)			
D*D*	D*D - DD	DM - MM	PP
13	38	50	8

BTEC Extended Certificate in Sport (27 students)

% of students and final attainment (22-23)			
D*	D	M	P
15	44	33	8

BTEC Certificate in Sport (7 students)

% of students and final attainment (22-23)			
D*	D	M	P
0	0	29	71

The Sport and PE department is very much managed in a consultative manner, with regular meetings. Individual teachers all take on responsibility for the planning and development of course materials with an ethos of sharing ideas and resources. Staff are encouraged to undertake work with the relevant examination boards. Staff within the department have experienced a variety of roles such as: examining, standards verifying and moderating for the relevant exam boards.

The person appointed to this post will: deliver aspects of the A-Level and BTEC (RQF) courses and may, depending on demand, undertake the role of personal tutor and/or contribute to the College's Activities programme by managing a sporting team. The post holder will be a graduate of Sport / PE or of a closely allied subject, the role is suitable for either experienced or ECT teachers. In addition, candidates should show the following characteristics:

- An enthusiastic approach to teaching and learning
- Demonstrate a commitment to raising standards and progress across the department
- Be a highly organised person, capable of dealing with administration associated with a large department
- Be innovative in the use of ICT in delivery of courses;
- Be familiar with contemporary issues in the teaching of Sport & Physical Education
- Undertake regular assessment and reviews of student progress. Record this progress, and complete assessment and reporting documentation in line with college policy
- Be a sympathetic and caring personal tutor

The post offers good opportunities for career development in a highly successful Faculty, particularly for a teacher keen to respond to the changing demands in the sector. The College organises and supports a range of professional development opportunities both within the college, and with outside organisations.

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