

Job Title: Teacher of Psychology

Psychology is one of the largest single subject A levels in the College with 917 students (463 L6 and 454 U6) and 12 staff members, following the AQA A Level Psychology course, which makes it also one of the largest centres in the country. Last year our cohort of 454 was over twice the national average of 178. We also run the ICM Level 2 Award in Psychology course.

There are 21 teaching groups in each year group, and twelve staff members. Students are taught by two teachers, each one covering different topics of the specification.

The Psychology Department is housed in the purpose built modern John Shields Building. All classrooms have SMARTboards and whiteboards.

The candidate will be expected to teach Psychology, and as well as delivering the subject, they will be expected to deliver pastoral content (as a personal tutor) and be part of the college's enrichment programme (ideally providing a subject specific enrichment).

The vast majority of students progress on to higher education, and of these a significant proportion go on to read Psychology. Achievements in Psychology have been consistently strong.

The person appointed to this post should be a graduate of Psychology or a closely allied subject.

In addition, candidates should possess the following characteristics:

- an ability to enthusiastically transfer knowledge, understanding and skills of Psychology to students;
- an ability to be an effective Personal Tutor, giving students pastoral guidance and support;
- be an enthusiastic participant in curriculum development;
- be committed to proactive subject-specific student support

All students/courses make use of Information Technology. Google Classroom is used widely within the department. Weekly lunchtime workshop sessions are provided for all students by departmental staff and regular use is made of this facility. The department also prepares its own study material in the form of booklets, which are issued to students.

Lesley Mallarky
Head of Psychology

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Job Title: Teacher of Criminology

The Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology has been running since 2019, as part of Faculty 4: Social Sciences. We are looking to further add to our creative, vibrant and dynamic teaching team in this large subject area with approximately 600 students. We follow the WJEC (Eduqas) specification.

In addition to timetabled teaching hours, members of the team are involved in various other activities, including personal tutoring, enrichment activities and developing educational resources. There are specific training opportunities both internally and externally, for updating subject knowledge and developing pedagogical techniques.

In their first year, our students study the *Changing Awareness of Crime* and *Criminological Theories*, while in year two they complete the *Crime Scene to Court*, as well as *Crime and Punishment* topics. For more information about the specification, please look on the WJEC (Eduqas) website.

Teaching sets are taught by two teachers, and the main teaching resources for the course are produced on a collaborative basis using Google Drive and Google Classroom. Students are provided with learning resources to aid assessment objectives, which is particularly important to the way Criminology is assessed, as 50% of the total marks for the subject are achieved through two eight hour internally controlled assessments. As with all subjects at PSC, we encourage our Criminology staff to support students through workshop provision.

The person appointed to this post should be a graduate of Criminology, Sociology, Psychology, Law or of a closely allied subject. Candidates should demonstrate the following characteristics:

- possess an ability to transfer enthusiasm to students;
- be a highly organised person, capable of dealing with administration associated with a large department;
- be familiar with contemporary issues in the teaching of Criminology;
- be able to utilise ICT and interactive technologies in the delivery of Criminology;
- be an effective team member who is prepared to share ideas and resources;

Luke Maddock
Head of Criminology

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