

Job Title: Teacher of Politics

We are a dedicated and enthusiastic department, passionate for the subject and committed to the teaching and learning of Politics. The department has witnessed a significant expansion in student numbers since 2017 and our 2024 – 25 cohort consists of 350 Politics students and 16 Politics classes. Since September 2017, we have offered the Pearson Edexcel A-level Politics specification including Global Politics on the optional Paper 3.

Students have the opportunity to visit Parliament and the Supreme Court to reinforce their first year studies and we also attend first- and second-year student revision conferences in London. Many of our students participate in the popular PPE group, which offers weekly opportunities for students to extend their learning, including lectures by university academics and other outside speakers. A level results have been consistently above the UK average and every year, many students progress to read Politics or Politics-related subjects at university, including Oxbridge.

We are a team of 3 full-time and one part-time members of staff. Teamwork is a characteristic of the department. All teaching resources are shared, work schemes and classroom strategies are discussed and individual student progress is monitored by their teachers.

The use of IT is fundamental to teaching Politics here and our classrooms are equipped with a smart board, data projectors and laptops for student use. The College has excellent IT and intranet facilities, and a well equipped Learning Resource Centre.

We are looking for a teacher to join the team. You should:

- have a good honours Politics or related degree
- have successful experience of teaching the subject at A-level or be able to demonstrate this potential
- have a PGCE or equivalent qualification or commitment to obtain QTS
- be equally able to teach UK or Global Politics, managing successfully a wide range of approaches in the classroom
- have the enthusiasm to develop interactive course materials for the Pearson Edexcel Politics specification, both for classroom and intranet use
- be skilled in the use of IT in the classroom
- have a rapport with the 16-19 age group (staff also have a tutor group of about 24 students).

This high performing College offers good opportunities for career development. The College organises and supports internal INSET opportunities, and encourages staff to attend relevant events organised externally. There are opportunities via the Activities programme to contribute to other areas such as sport and everyone is involved with the delivery of the Symonds Lecture programme.

Bree Fell
Head of Politics
March 2025

Job Title: Teacher of History

The History department consists of nine well-qualified, conscientious and enthusiastic staff. Teamwork is a characteristic of the department. All teaching resources are shared, work schemes and classroom strategies are discussed and individual student progress is monitored by their teachers.

It is a large department with over 600 students at present following the Edexcel syllabus for the linear A level. There is currently a choice for students between three routes: a modern course where the exam topics are USSR, Mao's China, or an Early Modern Course considering Stuart Britain, the French Revolution and Germany 1971-1990 or an Medieval course in which the exam topics are the Crusades, Henry II and the Wars of the Roses Assessment includes both coursework and examination focussing on the subject skills of essay writing, source analysis, historiography and research. The department has been graded as OUTSTANDING, in the last two Ofsted inspections and a recent External Quality Review described the department as "exceptional".

We are looking for a teacher to join the team. You should:

- have a good honours History or related degree
- have successful experience of teaching the subject at A-level or be able to demonstrate this potential
- have a PGCE or equivalent qualification or commitment to obtain QTS
- be equally able to teach across a variety of topics, managing successfully a wide range of approaches in the classroom
- have the enthusiasm to develop interactive course materials for the Pearson Edexcel History specification, both for classroom and intranet use
- be skilled in the use of IT in the classroom
- have a rapport with the 16-19 age group (staff also have a tutor group of about 24 students).

Examination results:

Results in the department have been very good over the past years, with very high pass rates for all routes.

Points of interest:

Accommodation comprises 5 specialist History rooms in the Freeman building, all equipped with interactive whiteboards. We have an ample department book stock but also encourage students to use the college's well stocked library. The department offers a wide range of packages for students in addition to its own Intranet site. The college has very good IT facilities which are fully networked with IT rooms and laptops available for class use. Various trips are organised for the students including sixth form conferences in London and The Tower of London in addition to overseas trips to Berlin.

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