

The American School in London

Middle School Spanish

Reports to: the Middle School Principal

Hours: full time

Start date: August 2017

Salary range: Competitive rates apply, from £39,597 to £86,884

Overall purpose

The Middle School Spanish Language and Culture teacher will direct instruction for students in grades 5-8 (age 10-14). Classes aim to develop skills in the four areas of language study: listening, reading, speaking, and writing. Use of English is kept to a minimum. Chinese, French, and Spanish are ASL's core languages.

Summary of duties

- To teach Spanish classes to students in Grades 5-8.
- To prepare, coordinate and plan curriculum with other members of the department, and liaise with other departments and grade level teachers as appropriate.
- To monitor and evaluate students' progress, prepare for parent conferences, complete report cards, etc.
- To organize and participate in field trips
- To carry out other duties reasonably requested by the Middle School principal

Selection Criteria

Essential qualifications/experience:

- A bachelor's degree in linguistics or languages
- Fluent Spanish speaker
- Demonstrable knowledge of the culture and literature of Spanish speaking countries.
- Experience teaching languages in a school setting, which will include substantive experience teaching Spanish.
- A proven commitment to the safeguarding and welfare of children
- Experience and commitment to collaborative working in a team-focused environment
- Experience teaching an American curriculum and familiarity with research-based best practices in American pedagogy
- Experience with differentiating instruction to meet the learning needs of all students
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Significant recent professional development germane to the position
- Commitment to and facility with integration of technology in the service of student learning
- Willingness to contribute to school life and activities in additional ways through coaching, advising and special projects
- Ability to support and nurture the school-home partnership

Desirable qualifications/experience:

- Advanced degree preferred
- Experience within a standards based curriculum
- Teaching experience in an international environment

This position description is current at the date shown but following consultation may be changed to reflect or anticipate changes in the role that are commensurate with the job title and salary.

The American School in London is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all employees and volunteers to share this commitment. Safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed. A disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service will be requested for all successful applicants.

Diversity and equality of opportunity are cornerstone values of The American School in London.

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