

**Job Title:       Teacher of Health & Social Care**

We are a dedicated and enthusiastic department, passionate about the subject and delivering it in a way that promotes the importance of developing positive values in students who want to go forward into careers in the health, social care and early years sectors. Our 2020 cohort consists of 150 students taught in 8 classes with an anticipated increase in September 2020. The department has steadily increased in size over the years, as the subject remains highly relevant at degree level and in meaningful employment.

We deliver the OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate, the Diploma and the Extended Diploma (2016 suite). Vital to the success of the courses is work experience, which has always been a major feature and is therefore embedded into the Cambridge Technical courses. Staff in the department have therefore always placed a significant emphasis on monitoring and supporting the students both in the classroom environment but also in work placements, ensuring that students see the relevance of coursework and application of theory to practice.

Every year many students successfully apply for degrees in nursing (all branches), midwifery, occupational therapy, paramedic science, social work and teaching. The Cambridge Technical courses, have broad knowledge requirements which has enabled this level of achievement to be possible. Key features of the courses has been, and will continue to be, study of anatomy and physiology and a range of physiological conditions, psychology, in depth study of support for service users with mental health problems, older people and children.

There is currently one full time member of staff and three part time staff with a significant number of hours each. These staff have a wealth of expertise including previous and/or current experience in nursing, social care, biomedical science and the law. Additionally staff are examiners, and also one staff a moderator for other centres for OCR for the 2016 Cambridge Technicals.

Our classroom facilities in terms of the use of IT are excellent including smartboards, access to computers for every individual student for all lessons and a printer/copier. We have a very well developed subject intranet providing students with significant subject support.

We are looking for a teacher to join our team ideally with the following credentials:

- A passion and enthusiasm for the subject of Health and Social Care and beliefs in the core values that lead to fostering these in our students.
- Successful experience in teaching the A level Health and Social Care or the Cambridge Technicals or BTEC.
- A degree in Health and Social Care or significant work experience as a qualified practitioner in the Health and Social Care sector.
- An intuitive nature, willing to constantly explore the ever changing laws and initiatives that are constantly emerging in the field of health and care.
- Skilled in the use of IT in the classroom.
- A rapport with the 16-19 age group in order to actively support their development and exploration of their potential as well as their motivation to become effective students at level 3 study and ultimately at higher education level or in effective employment.
- Additionally there would be a requirement to be an effective Personal Tutor, giving students pastoral guidance and support.

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