

Ridgeway Academy Herns Lane, Welwyn Garden City Hertfordshire AL7 2AF Tel: 01707 351350



Teacher of Humanities (Geography) with ability to teach Philosophy and Ethics

Pay scale: MPS/UPS

Start date: September 2024

The Geography department at Ridgeway is a welcoming and supportive environment for staff and students. We aim to provide a Geography curriculum rich in scope and depth and that inspires students to enquire independently. We have high expectations of our learners and the work that they produce. The 8 ladders of progress are used as a guide for students to become better geographers and students are often involved in creative tasks and lots of fascinating homework projects. At KS4 and KS5 students enjoy a wide range of opportunities and work towards the AQA Geography GCSE and A-level. We have our own classrooms with light and spacious design, visualisers and large screens and whiteboards. We have models, games, demonstrations, globes, atlases and textbooks to support our learners. Students also use their chrome books for research tasks and investigations.

We have developed an exciting range of fieldwork opportunities including trips to Dorset, Wales, Bristol, France and Iceland and were recently recognised for our school field trips by the School Travel Awards and were finalists in the school trip category. Students are able to take on leadership roles within the department and are regularly involved in competitions, events and extra-curricular activities. With the help of students, we are currently building a pond and wildlife garden which will help us to integrate sustainability into the curriculum and undertake further fieldwork around the school site. This also includes a weather station that we have set up. We are beginning to build links with a school in Japan that we also hope will lead to fieldtrips and curriculum links in the future. We are looking forward to welcoming you to the department.

Ridgeway Academy School is part of the **Alban Academies Trust (AAT)**. The Trust is a close community of seven schools within Hertfordshire, three of which are Secondary schools and four are Primary schools. As part of the AAT we are able to maximise the opportunities for personal, professional and career development. To learn more about the Trust please visit https://albanacademiestrust.org.uk/

If you would like to join us on our journey and have access to amazing career prospects through the trust, we would love to hear from you.

We can offer you:

- A collaborative, supportive team with a passion for teaching and facilitating progress
- Enthusiastic students who are keen to progress
- Appropriate professional development

We are looking for someone who:

- Has a track record of outstanding teaching and learning and excellent subject knowledge
- Passionate Teacher who puts student progress and engagement at the heart of all they do
- Be inspiring and dynamic
- Can share and deliver in the vision to be outstanding.
- Is willing to learn and help evolve the good practices already in place Ridgeway Academy School is part of the Alban Academies Trust (AAT).



Ridgeway Academy is committed to ensuring inclusion, diversity and equality of opportunity. We welcome applications from all suitable candidates and encourage those from underrepresented groups, and/or with protected characteristics.

Ridgeway Academy is committed to safeguarding children and young people. All post holders are subject to a satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check, satisfactory references and medical clearance.

To apply, please submit a completed application via mynewterm https://www.mynewterm.com/ or see school website www.ridgeway.herts.sch.uk if you have an issue completing the application form via mynewterm please contact the HR Officer by email (appointments@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk) or extension 3373. Prospective candidates are encouraged to submit their applications as soon as possible as the school reserves the right to close the advert should we feel able to appoint an appropriate candidate.

Closing date: Tuesday 11 June 2024

Interview date: TBC

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