



WREKIN

**HMC Co-educational Boarding and Day 11 - 18
Teacher of Business Studies and Economics
(Full time)
To commence September 2024**

We are looking for a well-qualified and enthusiastic teacher to join our outstanding Business Department. The successful applicant will be able to teach both Business Studies and Economics up to GCSE and will be able to offer at least one of these subjects at A Level. They may also have experience of teaching the BTEC National Level 3 in Business (the two-year A level equivalent course) or A Level Accounting, but this is by no means a prerequisite for this role.

We are seeking a dedicated teacher with excellent communication skills to deliver challenging and ambitious lessons. This role will suit an inspirational teacher who is open to new ideas, is flexible and hardworking. They will possess energy, drive and a willingness to contribute to a series of initiatives as part of a highly successful Business Department.

The successful applicant will teach within our iconic Business School, which has dedicated boardroom and lecture theatre space. This building is the hub for a thriving and innovative department, dedicated to stretching and challenging pupils both within the Business Department's subjects and throughout the wider school. The Business School is responsible for promoting the acquisition of employability skills for all Wrekin pupils.

The person appointed will be expected to have good interpersonal skills as well as being effective in the use of current technologies both for communication and to enhance teaching and learning.

The Business Department

The department is housed in our Business School building, which was opened in January 2017. This is a hub for a wide range of activities helping all Wrekin pupils to develop their employability skills. There are currently four full time teachers in the department.

There are three dedicated Business classrooms all equipped with interactive Smartboard whiteboards. The department also makes use of the Business School Boardroom and Lecture Theatre (when not used for other Business School events), which are dedicated to senior pupils to help their transition to the next stage of their educational journey. The department issues every pupil with a textbook for the year as well as a revision guide and exercise book.

GCSE and A level students are encouraged to take part in "real-world" experiences and programmes, including local and national Business Challenges, as well as work experience programmes. Wrekin Business School won a competition with considerable prize money to fund a commercial 'start-up' enterprise in the local community. As a result, a new business, called "the Retro Shack", was opened during 2019. This allowed pupils to be directly involved in the decision-making processes involved in running a business, bringing their learning to life through the application of their theoretical understanding to this enterprise.

Complementing such ventures, we run a weekly programme of talks by a very wide variety of business people. Talks range from Venture Capitalists to Dentists, from not-for-profit business people to senior managers of multinational organisations. We use a variety of methods to engage with our inspirational speakers, from face-to-face talks in the lecture theatre to online lectures and discussions, enabling us to access business leaders from across the globe. Past participants have included the Head of Marketing at Unilever in Rotterdam and the Senior Vice-President for Human Resources at Universal Studios. These talks are indispensable in bringing the world of business to life for our students, giving them a truly global perspective on how businesses are run.

Further contributions by the department in terms of employability skills include running skills workshops, such as CV writing and interview technique, and holding careers-specific events to which students and their parents are invited. These have included engineering, medical and finance evenings and events exploring the world of post-18 apprenticeships.

Regular academic clinics are offered to give extra support to pupils who require it. Most of these are run on Saturday mornings as part of the Wrekin Activities programme, but others are offered during afternoons in the week.

This is an excellent opportunity for the right candidate to be part of the Business School and to become an integral member of this forward-thinking team.

Pastoral Responsibilities

Wrekin College has an enviable reputation for pastoral care and all members of staff play a part in this aspect of school life. The successful candidate will act as tutor to a group of approximately fifteen pupils for whom they will have special responsibility and will work with their tutees' Housemaster or Housemistress to supervise the academic and personal development of this group of pupils. He/she will also play a role in supporting the Housemaster or Housemistress in running the House. The boarding community is an important part of Wrekin and a willingness to contribute to the boarding side of the school through evening duties is expected.

Co-Curricular Activities

Games and other co-curricular activities are a major part of life at Wrekin and the successful candidate will be expected to be involved in some capacity in these areas. Candidates with relevant skills or interests - whether enthusiasm for coaching a major or minor sport, an interest in set design, experience of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme or another activity which could enrich school life - are warmly encouraged to mention them in their application.

Salary

Wrekin College has its own salary scale. The successful candidate will be paid at a level commensurate with his or her qualifications and experience.

Accommodation

The school has a number of residential properties on site and may be able to offer accommodation to the successful applicant.

Applications

Applications should arrive no later than Friday 4th May 2024 and be sent to: hr@wrekincollege.com (or by post to: The Headmaster, Wrekin College, Wellington, Shropshire TF1 3BH).

Wrekin College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. The successful applicant will be subject to a criminal records check. Candidates are requested to provide proof of qualifications and identity when attending for interview. Where possible, the proof of identity should include two of the following documents: passport, birth certificate or driving licence, plus a document detailing National Insurance number and proof of residential address. Further

evidence may be requested from the person appointed to enable the school to carry out the necessary criminal background check.

If you submit an application but are not called for interview by 10th May 2024, please assume that your application has been unsuccessful.

Toby Spence
Headmaster