DOMINICAN COLLEGE FORTWILLIAM





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SCHOOL INFORMATION

Dominican College is a Catholic Voluntary Grammar school for girls, located in Fortwilliam Park in Belfast. Established in 1930 by the Dominican Sisters from Cabra, our school is rich in history and tradition and is continually growing and transforming to meet the needs, aptitudes, and ambitions of all our pupils. The school's enrolment figure is 1050 with an annual intake of 150 pupils in Year 8.

Our school ethos focuses on treating each pupil as an individual, celebrating their unique talents and developing their full potential across a wide range of academic and extracurricular areas. We have a long tradition of academic success and promote high aspirations, encouraging our pupils to aim for excellence in all aspects of life.

Based on our distinct Catholic and Dominican ethos, we are an inclusive community and promote values of trust, tolerance, and mutual respect. Our approach to education ensures the holistic development of each pupil, and prepares them to meet the challenges, and embrace all the opportunities in a rapidly changing world.

POST: TEACHER OF SOCIOLOGY

(with the ability to teach Sociology to A-level and an additional subject to KS3/GCSE. The ability to teach either Media Studies or English would be desirable.)

(This is a full-time permanent post)

Personnel Specification

Evidence that you meet the essential and desirable criteria will be gathered from the application form, interview, certificates and references.

Qualifications & Training	
Essential	Desirable
 A teaching qualification as approved by the Department of Education (NI); Honours Degree in Sociology or equivalent (minimum 2:2); 	A minimum of 2:1 honours degree in Sociology or equivalent.
Experience & Knowledge	
Essential	Desirable
 Clear knowledge and understanding of the curricular requirements of WJEC Sociology to A-level; Experience of teaching Sociology to A-level; Ability to teach an additional subject to KS3/GCSE level; Competence in the use of IT to enhance the teaching, learning and assessment of Sociology; Willingness and ability to contribute significantly to the extra-curricular life of the school and to promote its ethos. 	 At least 2 years' experience of successfully teaching Sociology to Alevel (verified evidence of results must be provided); Experience of teaching Media Studies or English to GCSE and/or Alevel; Ability to teach Media Studies or English to GCSE and/or Alevel; Experience of teaching an additional subject to Key Stage 3/GCSE.
Skills	Subject to key stage 3/ GCSL.
Essential	Desirable
 Effective Classroom management skills and ability to motivate pupils; Excellent communication and interpersonal skills; Excellent organisational skills with ability to plan, prioritise and schedule effectively; Excellent ICT skills; Be an effective Class Tutor, promoting the highest standards of Pastoral Care. Personal Qualities	
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Essential	Desirable
 Committed and loyal to the Dominican ethos of the school; A pupil-centred approach to teaching and learning; Positive, enthusiastic attitude; Ability to manage sensitive matters effectively; Flexible in managing change; Sensitive to the feelings and needs of others; Ability to work as part of a team; Respectful, honest & confidential. 	

The Board of Governors reserves the right to apply enhancement criteria should it be required.

Key Dates

Publication of advertisement for the post: Thursday 2nd May 2024

Closing Date for receipt of Applications: Friday 17th May 2024 (by 12 noon)

Interviews will be scheduled: From week beginning 27th May 2024 onwards

Guidance notes:

1. Application should be made using the application form provided. No additional sheets are to be used and no additional material or curriculum vitae will be considered.

- 2. It is essential that applicants outline on the form, how they meet each criterion, providing detailed information and dates as required.
- 3. Applicants called for interview will be required to bring photographic proof of identity.
- 4. Completed application forms should be marked, for the attention of the Principal, and can be emailed to info@dominican.belfast.ni.sch.uk or sent by post to 38 Fortwilliam Park, Belfast BT15 4AQ.