



Subject Leader of Art - MPS + TLR2c

This role represents an incredibly exciting, unique opportunity for any candidate who is ready for a leadership role, and is keen to shape the Art Department in this dynamic and forward thinking Studio School.

Information about the school

Atrium Studio is the first Studio School of its type in the country, specialising in the Built Environment (Architecture, Surveying & Planning, Engineering, Design, Town Planning, Ecology and many more). Our mission is to prepare our students for successful professional careers in the Built Environment, and expose them to a culture of success through our well-developed professional partnerships with employers.

Latest research suggests that employers are craving workers who have the right attitude and willingness to work, and an appreciation of how to conduct themselves in the workplace. Our emphasis on project-based learning, aligned with significant work experience, will allow our students to succeed in a dynamic and constantly changing work arena.

We are passionate about education. We are dedicated to providing the Devon community and its young people with an outstanding school environment to encourage and support students to become independent, reflective and motivated learners. We teach them the knowledge, skills, attitudes and dispositions they need, and how to adapt and apply what they learn. We want them to flourish in a world that is constantly changing – and to be equipped to do so expertly.

At full capacity, Atrium will have only 375 students, all in small class sizes. Research shows that in smaller schools, on average, student attainment improves, student affiliation to their local community increases, there is greater safety and order, higher levels of parental involvement and more positive teacher attitudes. Since opening in September 2015, this has certainly proved to be the case for us.

Qualifications

Pursuing academic excellence and developing high-level skills and appropriate knowledge are key features of the Atrium Studio's approach. At Key Stage 4, students study an extensive programme of 10 GCSEs; all part of an extended school day which mirrors the business world, with school finishing at 5.30pm. Success is actively encouraged and celebrated, alongside the mantras 'Be the best you can be', 'It's cool to succeed' and 'You don't get what you want. You get what you work for'.

Project based learning

Forty years of accumulative evidence highlights that project based learning can be more effective than traditional approaches for engaging children and equipping young people with the skills they need to succeed. Crucially, project based learning has been shown to lead to improved educational attainment, including in traditionally academic subjects such as Maths and Science.

Real work and employability skills

Evidence consistently shows that employers are concerned about key skills gaps in the British economy. Employability skills and meaningful work experience in the Built Environment professions

(currently a huge growth area in the South West) underpin all the activities at Atrium Studio School and we are indebted to our Industry Education Steering group, who regularly meet to offer us guidance to ensure that our students receive quality industry placements.

Please visit our website (www.atrium-studio.co.uk) to see for yourself the potential that exists. Please contact Mary Hodge on 01364 655399 or mhodge@atrium-studio.co.uk who will arrange a mutually convenient time for you to visit. Mr Matt Messias, Principal, is also available to speak to prospective candidates on an informal basis over the telephone.

Atrium Studio School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will require an enhanced DBS check.

Closing Date for applications is 12 noon on Monday 16th April.
Interviews to be held week commencing Monday 23rd April.