

Modern Foreign Language Teacher Required

Teacher of **Mandarin** – MPS 0.5 FTE

We would consider a full time position for a suitable candidate with the ability to also teach **French** and/or **Spanish** up to Key Stage 4

Required for September 2019

This is an opportunity to work in two outstanding schools and participate in the prestigious Mandarin Expansion Programme under the auspices of University College, London.

Queen Mary's Grammar School, which will initially be the main place of work and Queen Mary's High School are – together - an invigorating and rewarding place to work: the pupils are intelligent and committed to study; the staff are friendly and forward looking. It is far more than just a place of work – it is a thriving community, proud of its past and confident of its future.

We seek an enthusiastic and well-qualified teacher of Mandarin to join our passionate and hard-working modern foreign languages department.

The department has ten years of experience of teaching Mandarin. We are in a position to welcome established teachers looking for a new challenge, or newly qualified teachers who might require more support, while bringing bring fresh ideas on pedagogy and approach.

The successful candidate will be required to teach KS3 and KS4 and will also participate fully in work related to the exciting Mandarin Excellence Programme (MEP) and Confucius Classroom status. This may include some outreach to other local schools, national conferences and international trips. The current vacancy has arisen due to increased numbers studying Mandarin at both Queen Mary's schools. We are also supporting the teaching of Mandarin at another local grammar school.

Due to expansion, we also have the requirement to grow our teaching capacity in European languages. An ability to teach French or Spanish to Key Stage 4, although not essential, would be seen as an advantage and may allow us the opportunity to offer a full-time position to a suitable candidate, teaching across Mandarin and one or other of these subjects.

Queen Mary's Grammar School enjoys a national reputation for academic achievement, topping the Walsall league tables not only for raw GCSE results but also for the new Progress 8 measure. The school adds great value to students' attainment after their selective entry; Mandarin exemplifies this, with 85% of students attaining a grade 7 and above at GCSE in 2018. Passionate teachers and enthusiastic pupils are the secrets behind this success, and the chosen candidate will be supported in harnessing their love of the subject into great, effective teaching.

Now is an exciting time in the history of Queen Mary's Grammar School. We have established the Mercian Multi-Academy Trust alongside four other schools which represent a diverse range of educational establishments: Aldridge School, Queen Mary's High School, Shire Oak Academy and Walsall Studio School; this partnership will bring advantages to our pupils present and future. Please see the accompanying booklet in the full application pack for further information about the Mercian Multi Academy Trust.

Informal visits to the school are welcomed and encouraged. To arrange a visit, obtain more information or request a full application pack, please contact Carol Wood: Human Resource & Administration Executive.

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The application pack is also available to download from the School Website, under the vacancies tab: <http://www.qmgs.walsall.sch.uk>

Applications should be made using the application form accompanied by a letter of no more than two sides of A4 in which you should set out how your educational background and expertise match the requirements of the role.

Closing date –
Interview Date:

Queen Mary's Grammar School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and all applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Safeguarding and Safer Recruitment Policies can be found on our website.

The ability to teach either French, Spanish or Italian at Key Stage 3 is desirable