

## Counsellor (Part Time)

**Job start:** Immediate upon the completion of the pre-employment checks process.

**Scale Point Range:** 34 - 38

**Annual Salary Range:** £6,542 - £7,182 (FTE: £38,439 - £42,199)

**Location:** South Hackney

*'The best school I've ever worked at: the culture, the staff and students, the training, everything!'* (staff member)

*'I was amazed at what a great atmosphere the school exuded, how well turned out the children were and how polite and bright they all seemed'* (visitor)

The Bridge Academy is a truly exceptional school. Our students' progress is consistently excellent for GCSE and A level, and our superb personal development offer means that over the last few years we have been national debating champions, enjoyed a host of sporting successes and won both the Incorporated Society of Musicians Gold Award and the Hackney Mayor's award for music.

### Why choose us?

- Excellent student behaviour and highly supportive Senior Leadership Team.
- An achievement-oriented culture where students work hard and it is cool to be smart.
- A warm/strict approach, meaning that our high standards do not come at the expense of inclusion.
- The belief that teaching must be a sustainable profession: clear systems and structures, sensible approach to feedback and no 'late night culture'.

We are seeking an experienced part time Counsellor who is totally aligned to our values of Hard Work, Integrity and Kindness, and completely committed to our mission: to ensure that staff members are able to thrive and that every student will succeed at a good university or equivalent, thrive in their chosen field and live a great life.

The mental health and well-being of our staff and students is extremely important to us. Over the last ten years, our counselling service has played a significant role in ensuring that we successfully meet our aims in this area. Our onsite counselling provision makes it easily accessible and directly responsive to a cohort of students who may not otherwise seek or receive the tailored help, guidance and advice they need. We have also extended this service to our staff members who can choose to use it voluntarily. Each year we continue to receive positive and encouraging feedback from those who have attended sessions - a testament to just how valuable this resource is.

The successful candidate will join the Counselling Department currently consisting of two counsellors (job sharing - working three and two days respectively per week). The new Counsellor will provide counselling sessions for staff members and students in Sixth Form via referrals and drop in sessions;

1 day per week or 2 half days per week, depending on the needs of staff/students. If you are passionate about this field of work and the rewarding prospect this role brings; to enrich, shape and change the lives of others, we would love to hear from you.

Our sponsors UBS provide ongoing support to the Academy, and we also work with a wide variety of community groups to ensure the best for all our students. Our award-winning building is outstanding and is based at our stunning canal-side location, just minutes from Haggerston Station and just over a mile from the heart of the City of London.

To apply for this position, please read the information pack and school workforce privacy notice. Please complete the online application form via TES [here](#). We encourage applicants from all sectors of the community to apply. **The deadline for applications is: 9:00am on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023.**

**The Bridge Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. We expect all staff to share this commitment. All appointments will be subject to the necessary safeguarding checks, including receipt of a satisfactory Enhanced DBS check with barred list information.**