Post:	Religious Studies Teacher (Plus the Possibility of Additional Responsibility)
Annual Salary:	Main Pay Scale or Upper Pay Scale (Plus the possibility of a TLR Point)
Job Start:	September 2021
Location:	South Hackney
Contract Type:	Permanent

'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 three 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 <u>do not</u> 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 a Religious Studies Teacher who is totally aligned to our values of Hard Work, Integrity and Kindness, and completely committed to our mission: to ensure that every student will succeed at a good university or equivalent, thrive in their chosen field and live a great life. Candidates who are seeking additional responsibility are also welcome to apply. Please make this clear on your application form.

The Religious Studies department at the Academy is a growing team, developing an exciting new curriculum. All KS3 students study Religious Studies once a week, and AQA GCSE (Islam and Christianity) is offered as an option at KS4. Leadership at the Academy is extremely supportive of the subject and recognises its importance in students' education. The Religious Studies curriculum has been developed by passionate subject-specialists, and is well-resourced. It is characterised by a focus on religious literacy, exploration of differences within and between faiths, and recognition of non-religious world views. While championing powerful knowledge, the curriculum encourages an exploration of broader philosophical and ethical questions, develops critical thinking, and supports students to examine and articulate their own beliefs.

Our students are highly engaged with Religious Studies. They bring a diverse range of faith backgrounds to lessons, which include lively debates and discussions. We are keen to develop a strong offer of trips and visits, when circumstances permit. The successful candidate will

join a reflective, supportive and collaborative department with high expectations for students and their learning.

Our sponsors UBS provide significant 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 download and complete the application form and the additional information and monitoring form. Please ensure that you read our school workforce privacy notice. The application documentation should be submitted to Priscilla Agyare, Human Resources Manager: <u>Priscilla.agyare@bridgeacademy.hackney.sch.uk</u>. We encourage applicants from all sectors of the community to apply. **The deadline for applications is: 9:00am on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021.** 

The Bridge Academy is committed to safeguarding children and all appointments will be subject to receipt of a satisfactory Enhanced DBS check and references.