

TEACHER OF SOCIOLOGY - 0.8- Full time

Thank you for your interest in this post at WQE.

We believe that this is a particularly exciting time to be joining us, offering a real opportunity to make a difference in this thriving and vibrant Sixth Form College. We strive for excellence in all aspects of our work with students; their academic and wider achievements, their learning experiences, the support they receive in their academic progress, their learning environment and their wider experience of College life. The College operates across two closely located campuses, next to the University of Leicester on University Road and a smaller campus at Regent Road.

In this context, we are looking to appoint a well-qualified, self-motivated and enthusiastic teacher of Sociology, who will help us provide the best possible learning experience and outcomes for our students. The post may also provide the opportunity to contribute towards the teaching of Criminology and/or Psychology, so the ability or willingness to teach these subjects will be an advantage. This post will be based with our team at the University Road campus.

THE CURRICULUM AREA – SOCIAL SCIENCE

This vibrant curriculum area brings together Sociology, Psychology, Religious Studies, and Criminology. The curriculum area consists of twenty-two teaching staff and is led by a Curriculum Area Leader, supported by two Deputy Curriculum Area Leaders and two Assistant Curriculum Area Leaders. The leadership of the curriculum area ensures the provision of high-quality outcomes and experiences for students and lead the on-going development of teaching, learning and assessment.

The area is located in large, open-plan offices in the College's main teaching blocks, on the University Road campus, and uses classrooms nearby. There are a good range of resources including excellent online materials, interactive whiteboards, library holdings and IT facilities.

Sociology

There are 12 A Level Yr1 groups, 10 A Level Yr2 groups and 2 GCSEs groups, with approximately 720 students. Students study the AQA specification.

Psychology

There are 24 Yr1 A Level groups, 21 Yr2 A Level groups and 4 GCSE groups, comprising 1,160 students in all. Students study the AQA specification for the A Level and the OCR specification for the GCSE.

Religious Studies

There are 2 Yr1 groups and 2 Yr2 groups, with approximately 90 students in total. Students study the Eduqas specification.

Criminology

There are 8 Yr1 groups and 8 Yr2 groups, with approximately 380 students in total. Students study the Eduqas qualification.

For our part we shall make every effort to support our new colleagues in making the best of the professional opportunities offered by this post.

This is a permanent term time, 0.8 – 1FTE post commencing 18th August 2025.

The salary will be at a point on the Sixth Form Colleges pay spine which ranges from £32,178 - £49,725, per annum.

We offer an exceptional package of benefits to our staff, which for this post includes:-

- Annual incremental pay increases, linked to performance, within the pay scale range
- Pension - Automatic enrolment into the Teachers' Pension scheme with 28.68% employer contribution or to the Local Government Pension Scheme for support staff (if applicable), one of the most competitive on the market with an employer contribution of above 20% in most cases
- Staff well-being programme
- Cycle to Work Scheme
- Annual flu vaccination
- Continual Professional Development
- Eyecare voucher scheme
- On-site parking

We have an active and enthusiastic staff wellbeing group who meet regularly and are committed to adding value to life at work wherever possible, as well as ensuring a strong sense of community, wider opportunities and mutual support exist in our workplace.

APPLICATIONS

Please do not submit a separate CV. Only information on the application form will be used in the selection process.

Completed applications must be returned by **10pm on Sunday 4th May 2025.**

Interviews will be held on **week commencing 12th May 2025**. Full details will be emailed out to shortlisted candidates.

Please return all completed application documentation via e-mail only to vacancies@wqe.ac.uk

Finally, I would like to thank you again for the time taken to consider joining our team here at WQE and in making an application if you decide this is the right step for you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Wilson". The script is cursive and fluid, with a prominent initial "P" and a trailing flourish.

Paul Wilson
Principal