

Subject Adviser: Religious Studies

Salary: £43,947 – £47,712 per annum, pro-rata (grade 10)

Contract: Part-time (18.25 hours per week), fixed term until 31 May 2025

WJEC is excited to be welcoming applications for a Religious Studies Subject Adviser to join the Domains team.

Offered as a temporary contract, the role would also make a great secondment opportunity for individuals working in secondary/further education who want to better understand the work of an exam board. We'll provide the successful Adviser with plenty of opportunity to develop and grow, bringing their new skills back to their school/college.

The role:

Subject Advisers are integral members of our subject teams who commission and quality assure Professional Learning for teachers. Post-holders also write aspects of the training and deliver it in events. We are looking to recruit an appropriately qualified and experienced teacher on a part-time basis. The role is offered as a hybrid opportunity, enabling staff to split their time between our Cardiff offices and their home address.

For the duration of this contract, the successful post holder will mainly focus on shaping our Professional Learning courses which will be designed to support teachers preparing to teach our new made for Wales GCSEs in support of Curriculum for Wales in WJEC GCSE subject area of Religious Studies:

For the latest information on the Curriculum for Wales, please click [here](#).

The person:

Applications are welcomed from teachers with several years teaching experience, preferably in Wales. You'll be a reflective classroom practitioner with an ability to design and deliver relevant and engaging Professional Learning to your peers and ideally you will have some experience leading projects.

Applicants will need to have a flexible approach to work and be available to travel around Wales attending and facilitating Professional Learning events, with occasional weekend working. The ability to speak Welsh is desirable, but not essential for this role.

Our benefits:

WJEC is a welcoming and supportive organisation, which is proud to offer a range of generous employee benefits including: 25 days annual leave a year (plus 16 statutory/additional days), training and development opportunities including free Welsh language courses, and either Local Government or Teachers Pension scheme.

There are currently two vacancies within the Religious Studies area (Subject Officer and Subject Adviser), if interested in both, please submit two separate applications.

If you would like to know more about the position or about working for WJEC, please contact HR@wjec.co.uk who would be more than happy to speak to you.

Interviews are scheduled to take place on 22 May 2024.

Please visit [our website](#) to download a copy of the job description and application form.

Closing date: 10:00 Friday 17 May 2024

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Subject Adviser
Department:	Qualifications
Section:	Domains
Responsible to:	Domain Leader
Grade:	10
Location:	Western Avenue
Main purpose of Job:	

The post holder will undertake a range of strategic and operational duties requiring subject-specific and teaching and learning skills relating to the following subject area.

As a key member of the subject team, the post holder will contribute to the development and assessment of qualifications, the provision of Professional Learning/CPD alongside teaching and learning resources within their subject area(s). They will act as an ambassador for WJEC and proactively pursue the marketing of the subject with relevant stakeholders.

The post holder will liaise closely with Subject Officer, other departments and WJEC associates to ensure the effective delivery of qualifications and assessments.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Commissioned Developments (Qualifications, Resources and Professional Learning (PL) / Continuing Professional Development (CPD))

- Play a key role supporting the modification and development of WJEC specifications; co-ordinating the contributions of appointees, teacher groups and consultants and liaising with stakeholders regarding any proposed changes.
- In collaboration with others, develop and maintain educational resources and specification documents to support the teaching and learning of evolving WJEC specifications.
- To liaise with resource authors with regards to specification requirements and monitor their outputs.
- To design and deliver a variety of high-quality Professional Learning (PL) / CPD training events, both in person and for remote delivery; acting as ambassador for WJEC / Eduqas and deputising for Subject Officers, where necessary.
- To identify, engage and train suitably qualified authors and presenters to enhance the delivery of high-quality PL/CPD in the subject area(s)
- To collaborate with regional reps and undertake centre visits for the subject area(s); helping to promote WJEC/Eduqas qualifications to teaching staff.

2. Assessment Delivery

- To identify and engage suitably qualified 'Appointees' (assistant examiners/moderators), supporting their training and development and ensuring that our specification requirements are adhered to.

- To play a key role supporting both Examination and Non-Examination Assessment (NEA) units. Tasks include:
 - training and supporting Appointees
 - ensuring mark schemes remain accurate and updated
 - monitoring marking both in hard-copy and via various online platforms (e.g Surpass)
 - advising and guiding centres on suitability of NEA tasks
 - providing exemplar material
- To assist Subject Officers with the completion of centre mark adjustments, the selection of suitable work for standardising and awarding purposes and other relevant documentation.
- To lead on the implementation of Surpass for specified subjects in the Domain, where appropriate and providing advice, guidance and training materials to centres and appointees.
- To edit and/or analyse various reports (for example, Principal Examiner/Moderator reports and centre reports), identifying trends/patterns in the data and, where relevant, using these to help inform organisational decisions.
- To communicate promptly and professionally with individuals and centres regarding Assessment Delivery; liaising with other departments, when required, to provide a thorough response to enquiries.
- To manage the day to day running of Entry Pathways qualifications; taking responsibility for all aspects of their delivery for approval by the Subject Officer or Domain Leader, where appropriate.

3. Subject promotion and Communications

- To proactively promote WJEC and Eduqas as an awarding body, including providing material for and quality assuring the relevant subject pages on our websites.
- To provide advice and guidance to centres and teachers, responding to both complex subject queries and more straightforward requests for subject information and materials in a polite and constructive manner.
- To contribute to subject promotional projects including:
 - overseeing the provision of guidance material for new products (i.e. new resources and qualifications)
 - composing subject bulletins and circulars for teachers and senior centre staff.
- To represent WJEC at subject specific conferences and exhibitions.
- To organise and facilitate the engagement of subject presenters for subject events.

4. Domain responsibilities

- To be an active team-member within the domains, contributing to group discussions and meetings; representing the team at steering groups and working collaboratively across the organisation to achieve WJEC objectives.
- To abide by WJEC processes and procedures, including IT security, Health & Safety, Welsh Language and Equality, Diversity & Inclusion.
- To keep up to date with subject and qualification developments; regularly enhancing skills and knowledge through professional development courses.
- To undertake other duties and support developmental and departmental initiatives which are not included above but are consistent with the role.

Person Specification

Job Title: Subject Adviser

Department: Domains

Highly Desirable criteria are the optimum skills and experience the applicant will ideally have. Desirable criteria are those which would add value to the job if present and also include potential for growth and development into the role.

Skills and Abilities

Highly desirable

- Good communication skills, with the ability to explain complex subject material to a variety of audiences.
- Confidence in designing and delivering presentations to large audiences.
- Self-driven, with the ability to independently plan and organise own workload to meet tight deadlines.
- An excellent eye-for detail and ability to apply this to tasks such as proof-reading, data auditing and tracking progress toward work deadlines.
- Good computer literacy, with confidence using Microsoft Office (particularly: Teams, Word, Excel and PowerPoint) and the ability to learn new/bespoke software.

Desirable

- Demonstrable ability to initiate and maintain good working relationships with contacts outside an immediate work team.
- Welsh language skills

Knowledge

Highly desirable

- Relevant and up to date subject knowledge

Desirable

- Knowledge of GCSE and GCE examinations and non-examination assessment methods.

Experience

Essential

- PGCE or teaching experience, ideally in the relevant subject area(s)
- Previous experience working as part of a team, working collaboratively to a shared outcome, goal or objective.

Highly desirable

- Experience of leading a project involving multiple departments/teams: independently setting timescales, delegating work and monitoring individuals' progress.
- A confident decision maker, with prior experience making or influencing decisions with a moderate business impact.

Desirable

- Prior experience supporting the examination/assessment process as an examiner/moderator.
- Demonstrable ability to organise events either online or in person.
- Experience producing guidance materials for a wide-reaching audience.

Training/Qualifications

Essential

- A degree or equivalent qualification/experience in a related subject area.

Highly desirable

- n/a

Other

Essential

- A flexible approach to work with the ability to travel around the UK and work occasional evenings/weekends.

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Cyflog / Salary:	£43,947 – £47,712 y flwyddyn pro rata / pro rate per annum	Gradd / Grade:	10
Gwyliau Blynyddol / Annual Leave:	25 Diwrnod y flwyddyn. Mae CBAC yn caniatáu 16 o ddyddiau statudol / ychwanegol o wyliau yn ogystal ar hyn o bryd. 25 Days per annum. In addition, the WJEC currently allows 16 statutory / additional holidays		
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<p>Dylid anfon ffurflenni wedi'u llenwi ar e-bost at ad@cbac.co.uk erbyn 10:00 dydd Gwener 17 Mai 2024.</p> <p>Completed forms should be sent by email to hr@wjec.co.uk by 10:00 Friday 17 May 2024.</p>			