

WESTRIDGE SCHOOL Part-Time Upper School Art Teacher

Westridge School is an independent day school for girls located in Pasadena, California. Founded in 1913, the school has an enrollment of approximately 500 girls in grades 4 through 12 and has a long-standing reputation for the excellence of its academic program. Westridge is committed to educating intellectually adventurous thinkers, and courageous, compassionate leaders. Westridge is a vibrant and diverse community that is grounded in the commitment to goodness in all aspects of life and learning. Students are encouraged to learn and thrive in new ways, to try new things, and to be resilient. The school balances challenging academics and a focus on leadership development with a deeply engrained culture that prioritizes physical and emotional wellness and treating oneself, others, and the world with integrity, respect, responsibility, and inclusion. At Westridge, girls gain the confidence and courage to stand up and speak for the ideals of responsibility and integrity as they take their places in an ever-changing world.

Westridge is seeking a skilled and experienced upper school art teacher to join our team of dedicated faculty members beginning fall 2022. Reporting to the director of upper school, the upper school art teacher will have the skills needed to teach visual arts using a student-centered studio approach. Interested candidates have expertise in drawing and painting, along with a variety of media including but not limited to, digital arts, photography, film, ceramics, and sculpture. The candidate will have an interest and skill in collaborating with colleagues as well as the potential and willingness to contribute beyond the classroom. This teacher will inspire and challenge our students through the mission of the school.

Specific Responsibilities Include:

- Teaches artistic skills and techniques
- Teaches students to think creatively and make connections
- Develops aesthetic awareness
- Offers opportunities for students to engage with the community
- Creates a venue for students' creative expression
- Planning, evaluation, and revision of curricula, course content, course materials, and methods of instruction
- Mount 1-3 student exhibitions per year
- Plan and participate in single day and/or multi-day field trips with relevant experts, institutions, sites in the field of art
- Build skills and provide opportunities that help recognize, respect and embrace diversity of all kinds, and contribute to
 a culture of belonging
- Integrate appropriate technology to enhance learning; Westridge is a 1:1 laptop environment
- Collaborate effectively with students, teachers, administrators, staff and parents
- Model flexibility in implementing best learning practices
- Support the social and emotional well-being of all students
- Participate regularly in professional development opportunities to maintain and grow expertise in the subject matter
- Participate in the greater life of the division and school
- Willingness to take on other duties as needed

Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree required; advanced degree preferred
- 3-5 years' experience teaching art
- Excellent interpersonal, written, and verbal communication skills
- Demonstrated competency in student and faculty work that promotes diversity, inclusion, equity, and community engagement preferred
- Attitude of collaboration and collegiality
- A strong commitment to the mission and vision of Westridge School

Schedule and Salary

This is a part-time exempt position; approximately 20 hours/week. Salary range depends on qualifications and experience.

To Apply

Send cover letter, resume, and references to Jobs@Westridge.org. Include "Upper School Art Teacher" in the subject line. Westridge School is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants are evaluated without consideration of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, veteran status or any other characteristic protected by applicable law. For more information: www.Westridge.org.