

Part Time Upper School Spanish Teacher

Located in Pasadena, California, Westridge is a forward-thinking independent school for girls in grades 4-12 that emphasizes adventurous thinking, courageous, compassionate leadership, and equity and inclusion. Our school community is vibrant and diverse and grounded in the commitment to goodness in all aspects of life and learning. We balance challenging academics and a focus on leadership development with a priority on social emotional wellness, development of one's sense of self, values, and goals, and thoughtful consideration of individuals' responsibilities to others and the world.

Westridge is seeking an experienced upper school Spanish teacher to join our team of dedicated faculty members. The ideal candidate will provide differentiated instruction based on the skills and needs of their students which will include those new to the language as well as those with more advanced experience. Additionally, the upper school Spanish teacher will have an interest and skill in collaborating with colleagues as well as the potential and willingness to contribute beyond the classroom. This position reports to the director of upper school and is part-time.

Specific Responsibilities Include:

- Provide instruction for upper school Spanish classes, including advanced classes
- Convey enthusiasm for content and intellectual inquiry
- Introduce students to both Spanish and Latin American cultures
- Collaborate with colleagues to enrich curriculum and instruction and ensure continuity across lower, middle, and upper school courses
- Provide an immersive language learning experience that emphasizes written and oral communication
- Design projects and courses with an emphasis on teamwork and cooperative learning
- Collaborate effectively with students, teachers, and parents
- Model flexibility in implementing best learning practices
- Support the well-being of all students
- Participate regularly in professional development opportunities to maintain and grow expertise in the subject matter
- Participate in ongoing skill development in diversity and equity to promote a culture of community and inclusion
- Build skills and provide opportunities that help recognize, respect and embrace diversity of all kinds, and contribute to a culture of inclusion
- Participate in the greater life of the division and school

Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree required
- 3 years experience teaching Spanish preferred, including advanced courses
- Native or native-like fluency in speaking, reading, and writing Spanish
- Knowledge of Spanish and Latin American culture
- Previous experience working with adolescents
- Excellent interpersonal, written, and verbal communication skills
- Demonstrated competency in student and faculty work that promotes diversity, inclusion, equity, and community engagement
- Demonstrated experience and skill in the effective use of technology and integrating technological applications in the classroom
- Previous experience developing and implementing diversity responsive curriculum to improve teaching and student learning
- Collaborative and collegial attitude
- Diligent and well-organized work habits

Possess a strong commitment to the mission and vision of Westridge School

Physical Demands

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions:

Ability to work both indoors and outdoors as required (i.e. field trips, overnight trips).

Schedule and Salary

This is a part-time exempt position- approximately 20 hours/week with flexibility to work evenings and weekends when necessary. Annual salary depends on qualifications and years of experience teaching with a range of \$30,000 to \$60,000.

To Apply

Send cover letter, resume, and references to Jobs@Westridge.org. Include "Upper School Spanish Teacher" in the subject line.

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