

Join us:

Head of Geography Senior School

To start August 2024



Working for a Brighton College school

Brighton College schools are fantastic places to work. Brighton College is the leading co-educational school in the UK and was named 'UK School of the Decade' by *The Sunday Times* in November 2020.

Established in 1845, the College has grown exponentially since 2006 when Richard Cairns became Head Master. Since then we have moved from 147th in *The Sunday Times* results table, to 3rd – the best position ever achieved by a co-ed school. All Brighton College schools are renowned for their excellent academic results and innovative approaches, whilst placing kindness and community at the heart of their approach to education.



We take great pride in recruiting only the very best teachers to Brighton College. We know that outstanding teachers change lives. Teaching at all levels at Brighton is characterised by passion, academic rigour and innovation, with teachers taking an active rôle in designing and delivering our bespoke version of the English National Curriculum.



The Brighton College Family of Schools includes our three Prep Schools in the UK and five current international campuses, with our sixth site opening in Hanoi, Vietnam, in August 2023. In total, over 6,700 pupils are educated in Brighton College schools around the world. Working at a Brighton College school means having a base in one of seven exciting cosmopolitan cities - Brighton, Bangkok, Dubai, Al Ain, Abu Dhabi, Singapore and Hanoi.

This international network provides teachers and school leaders with the potential to make fruitful connections, and brings a range of opportunities for career progression and promotion. In addition, staff at Brighton schools frequently share best practice and benefit from CPD across the whole group.



Most importantly, Brighton College schools are happy places. Staff and pupils feel fulfilled, and our emphasis on kindness fosters a thriving intellectual, sporting and performing arts culture. We hope you will enjoy this opportunity to join a fantastic group of professionals working across our family of schools.



Our approach to education is regularly celebrated. In addition to being named 'UK School of the Decade' by *The Sunday Times*, Brighton College have also been named 'School of the Year' twice by the same publication; *The Week* named them 'Most forward- thinking school' in 2017 and 2019, 'Best in the UK for STEM' in 2020, 'Best for Community Outreach' in 2021, and 'Best for a Global Outlook in Education' in 2022. Spears Education Index ranked Brighton College and Brighton College Abu Dhabi as **two of the top 100 schools internationally** in both 2021 and 2022, whilst Brighton College Bangkok won the **International Schools Award 2022 for Diversity, Inclusivity and Justice**. We've also been named 'Best British School in the UAE' by LUXLife Magazine and have been selected as a Finalist for 'Pre-Prep School of the Year' in the Independent School Parent awards in 2022.

BRIGHTON COLLEGE
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS



94% GRADES 9-7 AT GCSE



800+
teaching
staff



99% A*-B GRADES AT A-LEVEL



30
subjects
offered



150+ CHARITIES AND PROJECTS SUPPORTED



6,700+
pupils in our
schools



11
SCHOOLS IN THE BRIGHTON COLLEGE
FAMILY



25+

NUMBER OF COUNTRIES WHERE
OLD BRIGHTONIANS ATTEND
UNIVERSITY

ABU DHABI LIFESTYLE

The standard of life is high in Abu Dhabi, services are efficient, and convenience is a strong feature of the day-to-day. Lifestyle options are diverse and vibrant, as might be expected in a city with over 200 nationalities living side-by-side.

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SAFETY

Abu Dhabi is a leader in world-rankings for lowest crime rate in cities. The city's safe and calm environment is a renowned feature, providing a haven for family life, the young, elderly, women and children.

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TAX-FREE INCOME

Tax-free salaries, available for all inhabitants of the United Arab Emirates, makes it one of the best locations to build one's future. An attractive prospect for expats and compelling reason to relocate!.

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ALL YEAR SUN

Abu Dhabi is sunny all year round. The city's average temperature hardly drops, and while the summer months are characterised by indoor and air- conditioned terrain, from September to May the comfortable, breezy weather allows for all manner of outdoor pursuits, from beach-bathing to dune-bashing, to exploring market souks.

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LOW COST OF PETROL

Just a few years ago, fuel was cheaper than bottled water in the oil-rich UAE. While this may no longer be the case, it is still considerably less expensive than elsewhere in the world.

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BOOMING REAL ESTATE

6 Abu Dhabi's real estate industry is thriving. Residents and visitors can easily rent or buy properties that fit their requirements and price range. Whether you choose the glittering, yacht-lined location of the Marina, the slick, sophisticated streets of Reem Island or the leafy, suburban areas like Bloom Gardens and Al Raha Beach, Abu Dhabi has it all.



TRAVEL

7 Abu Dhabi is the perfect 'hub' for travel, offering inexpensive and accessible adventures to much of Asia, Europe and Africa. Its favourable geographical location makes the city one of the best places in the world for tourism. Abu Dhabi has multiple daily direct flights to all major UK cities.



ARCHITECTURE

8 The Government of Abu Dhabi invest huge amounts of money to progress the city's economy, resulting in a breath-taking city- scape from the infamous Grand Mosque, to the Louvre Musuem.



FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD

9 If you're an 'adventure' when it comes to food, you've come to the right place! Abu Dhabi features plenty of restaurants that serve local and international dishes: American, Chinese, Indian, Lebanese, Mediterranean, Vietnamese, Turkish and more – you name it! On the other hand, if you prefer to eat at home, most outlets offer take-out and delivery services.



NEVER A DULL MOMENT

10 Abu Dhabi is sometimes described as a 'playground for adults', and the range of experiences and opportunities available here lend creditability to the idea.



About the role

Head of Geography



Brighton College is a dynamic and exciting school looking for enthusiastic and passionate teachers. This is a unique opportunity to join an exceptional and hard-working team with the united goal of ensuring that every child reaches their potential both academically and socially, by pushing boundaries and broadening horizons.

The Head of Geography will consult with all staff and report to the Deputy Head Academic (Senior School).

Responsibilities of Position

- To be an ambassador of the College at all times, in school and the United Arab Emirates.
- To teach a maximum of an 80% teaching timetable, carry out duties, cover for absent colleagues and actively support the Co-Curricular Programme leading a minimum of two activities per week.

Teaching and Learning

- To teach creative, engaging and outstanding lessons, according to the educational needs and interests of all the children in your care.
- To encourage each pupil to reach their academic potential through enthusiastic and personalized teaching with challenge and depth, rigorous record keeping and follow up.
- To be aware of and comply with the College academic policies.
- To develop and share planning and resources.
- To attend all meetings and INSET as required.
- To prepare, invigilate and assess internal and external tests and examinations.

Pastoral

- To work within a House team as a Tutor.
- To show an active interest in each child's personal and domestic circumstances and to foster the personal and social developments of each pupil in your care.
- To actively promote the social, moral and cultural ethos of the College community.
- To create an atmosphere of support by being aware of, and fully complying with, all the College pastoral policies.
- To be familiar with all the College's policies on Health and Safety and be proactive in ensuring the safety of all members of the College community at all times.
- To promote exemplary behaviour and a responsible attitude amongst all pupils at all times.

Professional Responsibilities

- To promote pride in the College among the pupil body through high standards of dress, behaviour and commitment.
- To ensure that all communication is acted upon appropriately and in a timely manner.
- To attend Parents' Evenings, Assemblies, Productions, Sporting, Special Events and Trips as required and in support of tutees.
- To be responsible for all College resources particularly those in your care.
- To contribute to the College website, social media and publications as necessary.
- To contribute to the College's Self Evaluation and Development Plan.

Brighton College Abu Dhabi is looking to appoint a Head of Geography to start in August 2024.

- To foster a close partnership with parents, initiating contact in appropriate circumstances and ensuring effective record keeping of these communications.
- To carry out a reasonable professional request made by the Head Master, Vice Principal, Head of Senior School, or member of the SLT.
- To fulfil all the requirements of the Teacher job description and lead by example.
- To ensure the department achieves outstanding levels of teaching and learning.
- To foster up-to-date and innovative thinking about the subject.
- To monitor and manage the team.
- To contribute to the Marketing and Admissions processes.
- To deliver whole-college and Senior School aims and objectives.
- To analyse results and internal and external data.
- Recruitment of staff, scheduling, induction and appraisal.
- To review and update department documents.
- To review programmes of study.
- To prepare students for University in study and contribute to careers guidance.
- Support members of the Department supervising EPQs in the subject.
- To be responsible for the presentation of the Department environment including the quality of display boards.

Professional Opportunity

At Brighton College we are committed to developing and supporting staff to grow as professionals. This is achieved through our CPD, coaching and mentoring programme. Opportunities for leadership and growth are available throughout the College.



Person Specification

Brighton College Abu Dhabi is an exciting place to work, and it is our staff who will make our community such a vibrant and stimulating environment.

The success of Brighton College Abu Dhabi will be due to excellent and innovative staff. Above all, therefore, we are looking for individuals who foster a passion for high level customer service and who demonstrate an ability and genuine desire to develop a premium school.

EXPERIENCE

Many staff joining our school have a proven track record in their previous roles.

More importantly, in the application process, we will look for candidates who demonstrate the ability to thrive within an environment that staff describe as both invigorating and refreshing. The ability to support the ambition, values and breadth of College life.

The successful candidate for this challenging and rewarding position will have at least 3 years' teaching experience in a British Curriculum School, Excellent knowledge of IGCSE and A level Geography, a Bachelor's degree in Geography and teaching qualification.

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

Successful candidates will be self-reliant, resilient and adaptable.

Beyond this, candidates should have a strong record of professional development.

They must be able to demonstrate a genuine interest in premium education.

We will look for evidence of the capacity to contribute to the broader life of the College.

The application process

All applications must consist of the following completed documents (saved as PDF):

1. Letter of application (maximum one page) addressed to Dr. Jennifer Walters, Head of Senior School
2. Fully completed teacher application form (available on website)

Further information can be requested from the PA to Head of Senior School @ SeniorPA@Brightoncollege.ae

Please note:

Incomplete applications will not be considered and Brighton College Abu Dhabi reserves the right to interview and offer to a strong candidate prior to the closing date. It is strongly recommended that submit their applications as soon as possible.



Remuneration

Brighton College Abu Dhabi offers a competitive remuneration package which include an attractive tax-free salary and:

- Company-provided accommodation
- School fee remission
- Private medical insurance for the post holder and his/her dependants.

All of the above in-line with specific school policies.

Safeguarding and equal opportunities

All Brighton Colleges Abu Dhabi is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any offer of employment will be subject to the successful completion of pre-employment checks, including an enhanced police

check, the receipt of satisfactory references, the College's pre-employment medical questionnaire, relevant original ID documentation and examination certificates.

The College is committed to ensuring that the recruitment and selection of staff is conducted in a manner that is systematic, efficient and effective, and which promotes equality of opportunity.