



Be extraordinary  
Teach A Levels  
at CTK AQUINAS

# APPLICANT INFORMATION

A selective A Level centre for excellence



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A CHRIST THE KING SIXTH FORM

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## ABOUT CTK AQUINAS

Located in Brockley, South East London, CTK Aquinas is a new selective A Level Sixth Form for high achieving A Level students and is part of the forward-looking and highly innovative Christ the King Sixth Forms.

CTK Aquinas specialises in A Level education for young people aged 16-19, offering a challenging and diverse 'Super-Curriculum' across more than 20 A Level subjects. Our students are talented, motivated and academically able young people, with highly ambitious university and career aspirations.

As a Catholic Sixth Form, staff of every faith, and none, are warmly welcomed and enjoy our environment of positive encouragement and mutual respect, with a strong sense of friendship and community.

At CTK Aquinas, our focus is on what really matters – the quality of teaching and learning and the achievement of high grades. All our students are treated as individuals, and we stretch and challenge them to reach their goals, ensuring they feel confident about going out into the world and being extraordinary in life and in their future career.

**4 OUT OF 5**

staff agree that CTK is committed to creating a platform to achieve sustainable success

Source: IIP Staff Survey, 2019

**3 OUT OF 4**

staff agree that CTK is focussed and committed to building capability to realise potential, recognise talent and achieve organisational targets

**87%**

of staff agree that the CTK 'Graces' underpin the college's mission and vision

## Be the Best You Can Be

Are you an exceptional teacher with a genuine passion for your subject? Join us at CTK Aquinas, where you'll be central to our mission to provide the very highest standard of A Level education. It isn't just the teaching that makes the difference; our teaching staff engage our students in extra-curricular activities which ensure our students reach their full potential. We celebrate diversity and our teachers come from a broad range of backgrounds, with a shared commitment to helping all our students reach their full potential. These roles are fantastic opportunities for A Level teaching staff that wish to specialise in teaching A Level.

We have developed a strong culture of collaboration and best practice, with professional and career development at its core. Teaching and learning is our core focus and outstanding practice is identified, explored, disseminated and celebrated. Furthermore, staff are provided with regular, high-quality professional development, alongside mentoring, leadership training and excellent opportunities for career progression across our three college sites.

Our commitment to ensuring all our staff develop and flourish is evident in the investment we make at every level and, whatever your role, you will be encouraged to be at the forefront of your profession.



# Professional Development

We are an active learning community and our approach to professional development is firmly rooted in our culture of success. It goes beyond routine CPD and is centred around an innovative vision and framework with a wide portfolio of approaches including the following:

## MENTORING

Through our mentoring programmes, you will have the chance to build relationships with colleagues at every stage of their careers.

## STAFF STUDY BURSARIES

We award a number of bursaries to both teaching and support staff each year to assist with course fees for master's degrees or further study.

## STAFF RESEARCH BURSARIES

We have developed our own research programmes to inform and contribute to our understanding of how teaching and learning can be improved. You can undertake a small-scale action research project to reflect on teaching practice bringing evidence-informed best practice pedagogy to the classroom and to our work.

## SUBJECT NETWORKS

Working with colleagues across our sixth forms strengthens the professional communication between teachers across our three sites. We currently have some 15 networks attended by over 150 staff.

## ALL-STAFF CONFERENCES

We run an annual conference for all staff each year, with contributions from guest speakers of national and international prowess. Recent topics include: Breaking Down Barriers to Success – Prioritising Progress for all Students, Transforming Teaching and Learning, Character Building and How Do We Create Successful Learners?



**“By far the most outstanding element of CTK is the quality of teaching.” Jamie Tang – CTK Alumni**



## CTK Aquinas

As a teacher at CTK Aquinas, you will have high expectations of your students. Your students will be:

- Encouraged to be ambitious and high achieving.
- Challenged to be resilient, confident, creative and courageous.
- Educated to be articulate, curious, reflective and capable.
- Supported to develop the virtues of loyalty, respect, care and commitment.
- Inspired to live principled, moral and dignified lives.

## The CTK Graces

Our Character Education Programme, The CTK Graces, signifies the character traits that we ensure our students develop in their expectations, habits and behaviours.

- G** – Grit
- R** – Respect
- A** – Awareness
- C** – Curiosity
- E** – Endeavour
- S** – Self-control

**MORE THAN** **4** **OUT OF** **5**

**of staff agree that work is effectively structured and managed**

Source: IIP Staff Survey, 2019

# Be Rewarded

## BENEFITS OF WORKING AT CTK AQUINAS

At Christ the King Sixth Forms, we look for talented individuals who share our vision and want to be part of our unique community. In becoming part of our community, you will benefit from:

- Professional development and training, which is second to none and offers a range of bursaries
- Healthcare
- Staff discount scheme
- Onsite gym
- Membership of a pension scheme (TPS and LGPS), plus employer contributions
- Generous holiday entitlement
- Onsite canteen
- Onsite parking
- Free eye tests (conditions apply)
- Staff well-being forum
- A supportive community
- Excellent career progression opportunities across our three sixth forms
- Christ the King Sixth Forms has outstanding financial health



**Tumay Gunduz –  
Assistant Principal**

## LEADING THE WAY IN EDUCATION...

“CTK is an open, innovative and forward thinking sixth form which ensures every student has the best opportunities available to them. If you want to be at the forefront of professional action research or within a team which supports and encourages exploration of pedagogical approaches that underpin good teaching and learning, then CTK is the environment for you.”



**Emmanuel Agyemang**

## OUTSTANDING TEACHER OF BUSINESS

“CTK is a diverse community – where each member of staff is valued for their specific and individual contribution to the success of the college. This is evident in my 15 years of service and I have enjoyed every day working in this vibrant working environment. CTK encourages excellence for all who work there, and this is mainly achieved through the provision of generous CPD opportunities.”

# 80%

**of staff believe they are encouraged to  
take initiative in their role**

Source: IIP Staff Survey, 2019

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