

FURTHER INFORMATION
TEACHER OF MEDIA
(Full Time or substantial Part Time)

The College

The College is situated just outside Esher, in attractive grounds in Thames Ditton, and is well served by public transport. Thames Ditton rail station is two minutes' walk away and Esher rail station about 12 minutes. Both provide a direct link to central London. The core business of the College is the full-time education of 16–18-year-old students, all of whom study level 3 courses. Within this context, the College has an inclusive, open access approach, recruiting students from over 115 different schools in North Surrey and the London boroughs, with a College roll of approximately 2050 students. The result is a rich and diverse student population. Applicants from the four most local postcodes, from schools without sixth forms in a defined geographical area and from siblings of current and former students all have guaranteed status. Incidentally, of all application categories, siblings consistently give us the highest conversion of applicant to enrolment. Those who know us best are most likely to come. All other applicants have open status and places are allocated by ballot.

The College has a strong reputation in the area and is highly over-subscribed, with applications closing nine months before enrolment begins. The College's popularity is principally based on academic achievement and successful progression, as well as a more mature learning environment which lays the foundations for future success. Despite relatively modest entry requirements, it has an established track record in delivering impressive examination results. As a result, the College was judged 'outstanding' by Ofsted for all areas when recently inspected in September 2022. It is most pleasing that the report reflects the College that we all know well and is a fair reward for all the hard work that our staff have invested into the College and its community over the many years.

The College Mission Statement and Values are:

Mission Statement

We are specialists in sixth form education who are committed to creating a culture of high expectations and outstanding achievement.

Values

- **Inclusivity:** We actively embrace diversity, ensuring every community member is valued, respected, and provided with equal opportunities for growth and participation.
- **Community:** We cultivate a vibrant community characterised by collaboration and mutual support where everyone contributes to our collective and individual successes, fostering a strong sense of belonging and shared purpose.
- **Empowerment:** We champion autonomy and aspiration, empowering every individual to actively shape their educational and professional paths to achieve their full potential.

The estate has benefited from significant investment over the last ten years or so and the result is a campus fit for the 21st century, with modern, specialist buildings and facilities. A new Study Centre and a Performing Arts block were opened for the start of the 2022/23 academic year and four temporary classrooms to help manage the College response to the increase in student contact time, with a new build replacing the temporary accommodation in September 2025.

The Post

Students:

A Level Film Studies, Media Studies and the BTEC Diploma and Extended Certificate are popular subjects with student numbers totalling around 500 students.

Staff:

There are seven members of the teaching team (both full and part-time), supported by 1 technician

Courses & Exam Board:

The College offers A Level Media Studies (Eduqas), A Level Film Studies (Eduqas), BTEC Extended Certificate in Digital Film and TV Production (Pearson) and BTEC Diploma in Film and Television Production (Pearson).

Department/Facilities:

The Department is well resourced, with most teaching taking place in classrooms adjacent to the departmental office. All classrooms contain PCs for student use. We also have a studio with green screen, black and white backdrops and studio lighting for use by students both inside and outside of class time. Teaching materials are shared on the Department's Teams homepage and learning is supported through a range of enrichment activities. Within the department, we aim to give students experience of a variety of practical skills to support them in developing skills for future progression including audio-visual production, digital photography and some print production. By the end of their courses students will have developed academic and technical competencies and be conversant with issues and debates surrounding the media and film industries. The Team also shares an office space with a creative, enthusiastic Photography Department Team and this allows for interesting sharing of good practice, including planning for our shared Oscars' ceremony at the end of the year, where we celebrate student achievement across both departments: something that we value greatly.

Additional information:

We are looking for a passionate, curious and collaborative individual who will be a member of an enthusiastic team and actively contribute to its continued development.

If you are an Early Career Teacher (ECT), you would have a reduced timetable, participate in the College's dedicated ECT programme and have support from your mentor.

We would welcome applications from candidates looking for a full-time post or a minimum of 4 days a week. Please indicate in your application if you would like to be considered for the part time (4 days a week) role and this will be discussed at interview.

College Hours:

College teaching periods start at 8.55 am and end at 4.15 pm.

Salary: Salary will be NSP2 (£34,704) to NSP9 (£51,014) per annum inclusive of fringe area allowance, depending on experience.

Closing Date: Tuesday 22 April 2025

Interviews: Wednesday 30 April 2025