



Gaston Day School is an independent, coeducational day school for 500 students in grades K-12.

This posting is for a full-time Upper School Government and Politics teacher for students in grades 11-12. A competitive candidate will be well-versed in the principles and mechanisms of government and policy-making, as well as the court decisions that have shaped American society. The candidate should be experienced in instructing analytical writing. The position also requires a candidate who excels at differentiated instruction and is able to assist the struggling learner but also challenge the most academically gifted student.

A Gaston Day School government teacher is responsible for instructing students in a survey of American government and politics from the colonial era up to the present. The ideal candidate must have enthusiasm for government and politics and a passion for cultivating student knowledge and understanding. In addition to supervising students in academic classes, Upper School teachers also serve as advisors and supervise students in co-curricular activities. Gaston Day teachers demonstrate a commitment to the well-being of all Gaston Day students and to the best interests of the school as a whole.

Broad responsibilities:

- Instructs students in Government and AP Government with curriculum requirements and objectives, making effective use of technology, textbooks, and other instructional materials as appropriate.
- Establishes and actively maintains a class environment where excellence in learning is honored and where respectful interaction between and among students is valued.
- Works with students to develop a love of learning, a sense of academic integrity, and a thoughtful work ethic.
- Employs a variety of instructional techniques and assessments which address multiple learning styles and integrate innovative learning opportunities.
- Participates as an active team member within the History Department, Upper School faculty, and the school community as a whole.
- Participates in supporting the Upper School's advisory program and modeling the Honor Code.

Personal attributes:

- Effectively communicates with students, parents, and colleagues.
- Challenges students to step outside their comfort zones.
- Models, teaches, and guides students through collaboration, inquiry, and exploration.
- Creates a safe and accepting environment.
- Fosters a passion for curiosity and learning beyond the classroom.
- Pursues current professional development opportunities to increase pedagogical and content knowledge.

Reporting:

The Upper School History Teacher will report directly to the Head of Upper School and the History Department Chair.

Experience and education requirements:

A degree in political science, history, or a related field from an accredited institution is required; advanced degree preferred. Three or more years of teaching in an upper school environment and experience teaching AP Government are also preferred.

Contact:

To apply, please email cover letter and resume to Carolyn Senter, Head of Upper School, at csenter@gastonday.org.

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