

# DIVE IN COMMONWEALTH

## **Job Opening: Part-Time, Short-Term Humanities Teacher for Summer 2024**

[Dive In Commonwealth](#) is a free summer and school-year program for high-achieving middle-school students from low-income communities across the greater Boston area. Starting the summer after sixth or seventh grade and lasting until the fall of their freshman year, Dive In students engage in rigorous classes and exciting extracurriculars, preparing them for private schools and the path to college. Like our parent school, [Commonwealth School](#), Dive In empowers motivated students by offering enriching activities in a close-knit community of like-minded peers. Our unique urban campus is located in the heart of Boston's historic Back Bay, easily accessible by public transportation.

**Dive In Commonwealth seeks a Humanities Teacher for the summer of 2024.** The teacher will work with a small group of middle-school students to advance their practical knowledge of the humanities, nurture their innate curiosity, cultivate their intellectual confidence, and strengthen general learning skills in the classroom and beyond. Dive In welcomes teaching applicants from both public and private schools as well as from local community centers; our hiring is informed by our mission to close achievement gaps across educational institutions and build bridges to historically neglected neighborhoods.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Teach rising seventh, eighth, or ninth graders
- Develop and implement an original curriculum in the humanities (e.g., philosophy, art history, economics, etc.)—twelve class sessions (60 minutes each) total
- Maintain healthy teacher-student relationships
- Collaborate with the Director, Assistant Director, and staff to support students
- Assign final grades and/or write end-of-term assessments
- Commit to the role for the entirety of the summer program dates (See “Schedule” below.)

### **Essential Skills and Qualifications**

- Commitment to Dive In's mission and desire to help marginalized middle schoolers excel
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to design and implement lessons around humanities topics of your choosing
- Demonstrated interest in science and enthusiasm for the material
- Experience leading, facilitating, or coaching a small group of people
- High energy and a sense of humor!

### **Preferred Experience**

- Previous teaching experience and/or tutoring or camp-counseling experience
- Experience working with middle-school age students
- Familiarity with local museums (e.g. Museum of Arts, Institute of Contemporary Art) and willingness to integrate field trips into classroom curriculum (if relevant)

- **While a bachelor's degree is preferred, it is not required. If you have a strong understanding of the humanities and a passion for education, we encourage you to apply.**

### **Compensation**

- \$80 per hour paid on a biweekly basis

### **Schedule**

- July 8 to July 25, 2024
- Mondays through Thursdays (one hour teaching block each day)
- Lunch provided

### **Applying**

Interested candidates should email the following materials to Dive In Co-director Rui Shu (rshu@commschool.org) by May 30, 2024. Questions about the role can be directed to Rui as well.

- Résumé or CV
- Brief email or cover letter describing one's commitment to the Dive In mission and qualifications for this position
- Names of at least two references and their contact information

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