

LAGUNA BLANCA

UPPER SCHOOL LATIN INSTRUCTOR

Job Title	UPPER SCHOOL LATIN INSTRUCTOR
Reports to:	Head of Upper School
Location:	Hope Ranch Campus, Santa Barbara, CA
Salary Range:	\$56,000-\$117,000
FLSA Classification:	Part- time Faculty

Laguna Blanca School is a college preparatory, coeducational day school located on two campuses in Santa Barbara, California. Grades EK-4 are located on a quaint campus in Montecito, while Grades 5-12 are located on Laguna's historic campus in idyllic Hope Ranch. Laguna Blanca emphasizes its core values of scholarship, character, balance, and community in its programs.

Job Summary

Laguna Blanca School seeks a part-time Upper School Latin Instructor to join our talented faculty beginning in Fall 2026. The ideal candidate will bring enthusiasm for classical languages, a passion for teaching, and the ability to inspire curiosity and critical thinking in students. Experience teaching Latin at the middle or upper school level is preferred, along with a collaborative and student-centered approach to learning.

Essential Duties And Responsibilities

- Teach 2-3 sections of Latin 3, 4, and AP using Cambridge Latin Course.
- Provide instruction in speaking, reading, writing, and understanding the Latin language, as well as lessons in ancient Roman history and culture.
- Knowledge of inquiry based pedagogy including project-based learning and other progressive approaches.
- Knowledge of diversity, equity, and inclusion practices and commitment to ongoing growth in this area.
- Serve as a member of the applicable grade-level team(s) of teachers meeting on a regular basis to plan, develop, and coordinate student support in alignment with the mission of the school.
- Serve as a member of the World Language Department, attending departmental meetings.
- Communicate progress and concerns with tact and professionalism to parents and, as appropriate, other faculty, staff, and/or Head of School.
- Discuss academic difficulties or behavioral problems with students as they arise.
- Maintain required documentation for individual student files, attendance and incident reports, and other necessary records.

Required Skills & Abilities

- Bachelor's degree; Masters Degree and Teaching Credential preferred, but not required.
- Ongoing maintenance of all requirements regarding professional courses and in-services required.
- Teaching experience preferred.
- Knowledge of the current theories, techniques, and methodologies. Knowledge of and experience using ACTFL World-Readiness Standards in a classroom setting preferred.
- Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Practice with Project Based Learning.

Required Skills & Abilities continued.

- A sense of playfulness and a dedication to student-centered learning.
- Creative analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Excellent interpersonal skills with the proven ability to maintain professionalism and tact.

Laguna seeks dedicated and mission-driven faculty who:

- Demonstrate a passion for supporting an engaging, inclusive, and student-centered learning environment.
- Contribute to a warm, collaborative, and professional workplace that upholds the school's values and culture.
- Develops innovative, diverse, and inclusive curriculum and assessments that are vertically and horizontally aligned.
- Differentiates instruction based on needs and learning levels. Sets high academic achievement expectations, while exhibiting knowledge of student cognitive development and various learning styles.
- Demonstrates content knowledge and passion for the subject area(s).
- Fosters active student learning, helping students work both collaboratively and individually to solve complex authentic problems by incorporating strategies such as project based and experiential learning. Provides opportunities for student engagement through "voice and choice."
- Collaborates with colleagues in a process that strives for interdisciplinary connections, enhances existing programs, and meshes with existing courses.
- Provides timely feedback and communicates effectively with students and families about classroom activities and student progress, including during conferences, via report card narratives, and by maintaining an accurate gradebook.
- Identifies and supports students' social, emotional, and behavior learning needs.
- Demonstrates cultural competency in their teaching, teamwork, and leadership ability.
- Is committed to the values and the ongoing work of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Encourages and maintains a culture of mutual respect and equitable practice, both in the classroom and in the school community.
- Participates as an ambassador of the school to build and support relationships with all key constituents. This support includes participating in a range of school functions including but not limited to admission, alumni, and family events.

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Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to employment@lagunablanca.org, and complete the [online application](#)