

Status:	Permanent Senior Psychology Educator Part Time (approx 0.4 FTE) <i>The ability to teach additional subject areas may provide opportunities for an increased FTE</i>
Commencement date:	Term 1, 2027
Area of appointment:	Secondary School
Position Reporting to:	Principal through the Head of School
Key Relationships	Director of Teaching & Learning, Director of Student Wellbeing, Science Learning Area Coordinator
Pre-requisites:	These qualifications/certificates are required prior to commencing employment at HILLS and must be updated for the duration of employments at HILLS:- 1. Registered, or eligible for registration, with the Teachers Registration Board of South Australia 2. Current Working with Children Check 3. Current Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse & Neglect Certificate (RRHAN-EC) 4. Current First Aid Certificate 5. Valid Photo Identification (e.g. Drivers License, Proof of Identity, Passport)

Introduction

All members of staff at The Hills Christian Community School Inc. (HILLS) are expected to model professional behaviours that reflect the School's mission, vision and [Statement of Belief](#). Through their relationships, service and commitment to excellence, staff contribute to a Christ-centred learning community where students are Growing with Nature, and Nurtured to Thrive. This includes:

- Demonstrate a personal Christian faith that is evident in daily life and professional practice.
- Build positive, authentic and respectful relationships with students, families, colleagues and the wider community, consistently modelling the HILLS values of Respect, Integrity, Courage, Empathy and Pursuit of Excellence.
- Promote the wellbeing, learning and holistic development of every student through high expectations, compassionate care and inclusive practice.
- Contribute positively to a collaborative culture of trust, service and continuous improvement through professional communication, teamwork and a shared commitment to the mission and aims of the School.
- Engage in ongoing personal, spiritual and professional growth through reflective practice and a commitment to continual learning.

Role Purpose

At HILLS Christian Community School, our mission is to help students learn and grow to achieve their God-given potential.

The Secondary Psychology Educator plays a vital role in delivering high-quality, evidence-informed Stage 1 and Stage 2 Psychology education that develops students' understanding, reasoning, problem-solving and confidence with academic rigor. Through engaging learning experiences that reflect the distinctive

educational philosophy of HILLS—***Planted in Christ, Growing with Nature and Nurtured to Thrive***—the Psychology Educator empowers students to think critically, apply psychology concepts to authentic contexts and become capable learners who are equipped to make a positive difference in the world. The ability to teach across a range of Secondary subjects, including SACE subjects, will be highly regarded.

Please list your Psychology teaching experience, year level expertise, SACE experience (where applicable), and any additional curriculum areas you are qualified to teach in your application.

Key Results Area (KRA) as related to the AITSL standards

1. Know students and how they learn

- Use evidence-informed teaching strategies that recognise students' prior knowledge, interests, physical, social and cognitive development to maximise engagement and achievement in Psychology.
- Design differentiated learning experiences that cater for students with varying abilities, interests and aspirations, enabling every student to experience success.
- Design inclusive learning experiences that enable meaningful participation for all students, including those with disability or additional learning needs, in accordance with school policy and legislative requirements.

2. Know the content and how to teach it

- Apply expert knowledge of the SACE Psychology curriculum, the Australian Curriculum (where applicable) and evidence-informed pedagogy to develop engaging, authentic and academically rigorous learning experiences.
- Design, implement and continuously refine coherent curriculum, assessment and learning programs aligned to curriculum and reporting requirements.
- Integrate digital technologies, contemporary research and evidence-based teaching strategies to enhance student learning, inquiry and critical thinking.

3. Plan for and implement effective teaching and learning

- Plan and implement engaging, well-structured Psychology programs that develop students' conceptual understanding, reasoning, problem-solving skills and confidence.
- Prepare students for success in SACE and beyond through explicit teaching, authentic learning experiences and high-quality feedback.
- Foster a culture of high expectations that supports students to achieve personal excellence and confidently share their learning through performance.
- Collaborate with colleagues to strengthen curriculum coherence through shared planning, moderation and the ongoing refinement of curriculum, assessment and teaching practices.

4. Create and maintain a supportive and safe learning environment

- Establish and maintain a safe, inclusive and engaging learning environment where every student feels known, valued, connected and supported to embrace challenge in their learning.
- Foster a positive learning culture through clear expectations, restorative practices, positive behaviour support and proactive wellbeing strategies that promote belonging, self-regulation and readiness for learning.
- Build positive partnerships with students and families that support student wellbeing, engagement and learning, consistent with the school's Behaviour Management Policy.

5. Assess, provide feedback and report on student learning

- Design and implement a range of diagnostic, formative and summative assessment strategies aligned with SACE requirements to monitor student progress and inform teaching.
- Use assessment evidence and student data to evaluate learning, provide timely and meaningful feedback, and refine teaching to maximise student growth and achievement.
- Maintain accurate records and communicate student achievement and progress through the school's assessment and reporting processes.

6. Engage in professional learning

- Engage in ongoing professional learning, professional inquiry and reflective practice to continually improve teaching effectiveness and student outcomes and SACE requirements in Psychology, curriculum development, assessment practices and emerging educational technologies.
- Contribute actively to collaborative professional learning through curriculum planning, moderation, coaching, observation and evidence-informed discussion.

7. Engage professionally with colleagues, parents/caregivers and the community

- Build and maintain respectful, professional and collaborative relationships with students, families, colleagues and the wider community.
- Communicate effectively with parents/carers regarding student learning, wellbeing and participation in classroom and co-curricular programs.
- Contribute positively to the broader life of HILLS by supporting community events and opportunities that celebrate student learning.

Contribute to the Co-curricular Program

- Contribute to the planning, delivery and ongoing development of co-curricular opportunities that enrich the educational experience of Secondary students.
- Support activities that promote student learning, leadership, service, academic enrichment and community engagement as appropriate.
- Work collaboratively with colleagues to create meaningful opportunities that celebrate student achievement and promote a culture of curiosity, participation and excellence.
- Demonstrate a willingness to contribute enthusiastically to the broader life of the school through co-curricular and extra-curricular opportunities, recognising that these may occasionally occur before or after normal school hours.