



## **National Space Academy Job Description**

### **Job Title**

Lead Educator

### **Reports to**

National Space Academy General Manager

### **Direct reports**

None

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### **Overall Purpose**

The National Space Academy educate, inspire and collaborate for the advancement of science within the context of space.

Since launching in 2008 the team have engaged with more than 50,000 students, nearly 6000 teachers and hundreds of industry professionals.

The team includes a network of outstanding teachers, referred to as 'Lead Educators', who use the inspirational context of space to teach the STEM subjects to 11-19-year olds and to support the professional development of their teachers. We aim to grow the size and quality of the UK science and engineering skills pool by increasing engagement and attainment in STEM. Lead Educators are outstanding teachers in physics, chemistry, biology, and maths and have won awards for education from organisations such as the Institute of Physics, the Royal Astronomical Society, the Teaching Awards Trust and the Royal Society.

### **Contract**

School secondment

### **Hours**

As agreed. Minimum of 5 term time delivery days, and 3 National Space Academy training days most likely during the Easter school holidays. A typical day is 8 hours.

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## **Responsibilities**

- Deliver masterclasses and CPD sessions in support of Secondary and FE science and maths teaching and learning. Lead Educators will take the lead role in delivery to school/college students. This will take place primarily at local schools and colleges, although sessions may also be arranged at the National Space Centre, or third-party locations.
- Develop educational programmes and CPD sessions supporting Secondary and FE teaching and learning (academic and vocational) with experts at the National Space Academy partner organisations
- Ensure feedback is collated and returned within 3 days of each session.
- Be an ambassador for the National Space Academy. This includes at events part of the standard programme but might include conferences, events and overseas activity.
- Deliver great customer service
- Adhere to the National Space Centre operational and health and safety procedures
- Ensure that programmes are conducted in line with safeguarding procedures
- Undertake training as necessary

These tasks are indicative of the role and are not exhaustive. The post holder might be expected to undertake other relevant tasks. Please see the 'The National Space Academy and Lead Educators' document for more details about the role and the team.

## **Workplace**

Mostly locations within a 50-mile radius of the post-holder's home and work addresses. In addition, the National Space Centre and other off-site locations. UK travel is an essential part of the role. Some overseas travel to represent the National Space Academy is possible.

## **Working with children**

An Enhanced disclosure is required for this role. Information about the Disclosure service can be found at [www.disclosure.gov.uk](http://www.disclosure.gov.uk)

## **Remuneration**

Secondment fees paid to the post holder's school. We advise that the fees are used to pay for cover during term-time and for direct payment to Lead Educators for days worked outside of term-time. All days worked must be agreed in advance by the National Space Academy General Manager.

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