



STRATHALLAN
SCHOOL

Opportunities for all to excel



Graduate Assistant & Resident Tutor
(Drama and Performing Arts)

To start January 2027



The Role

We have an exciting opportunity for a dedicated and enthusiastic individual to join the School as a Graduate Assistant and Resident Tutor in Drama and Performing Arts on a fixed-term basis for one academic year.

This represents an outstanding opportunity for a recent graduate seeking valuable experience before pursuing a career in teaching, theatre, directing, theatre design, or the wider education sector. The role would be particularly suited to someone who has recently completed a degree in Theatre, Drama, Technical Theatre, or a related discipline and is looking to develop their skills within a thriving school environment.

In addition to their departmental role, all Graduate Assistants will take on the position of Resident Tutor within one of the School's boarding houses. This is a rewarding opportunity to play a full part in boarding life, supporting pupils' wellbeing, pastoral care, and co-curricular activities. Accommodation is provided as part of the remuneration package.

The successful candidate will support the Drama and Performing Arts Department, contributing to both the curricular and co-curricular life of the School while gaining practical experience in a vibrant educational environment.

Strathallan School

Strathallan School is a leading co-educational boarding and day school with an outstanding reputation for academic excellence, sporting achievement, and creativity in the arts. Situated in the beautiful Earn Valley, the School occupies a self-contained wooded estate of 150 acres on the edge of the village of Forgandenny. Perth is a short drive away, and convenient motorway links provide easy access to Edinburgh, Glasgow and the Scottish Highlands.

The campus combines traditional architecture with modern, purpose-built facilities. The main building, a Grade B listed property, was originally a private mansion and became home to Strathallan in 1920 when the School moved from its original 1913 site.

Strathallan's dedicated teaching and support staff work collaboratively across a range of departments including Administration, Finance, Domestic Services, Human Resources, Estates, Grounds, IT, External Relations, Catering, and Medical. Each department plays an integral role in ensuring the smooth and effective running of the School. The Head of each department (with the exception of External Relations) reports to the Bursar, while the Director of External Relations, like the Headmaster & CEO and the Bursar, is a member of the School's Executive. The Executive Team also includes the Head of Senior School and the Head of Prep School, all of whom work together to ensure the effective leadership and strategic direction of Strathallan. Collectively, the Executive are accountable to the Board of Governors for all aspects of the School's operation and development.



Key Responsibilities

The Graduate Assistant and Resident Tutor plays a full and active role in the life of the School, contributing to both the co-curricular programme and the pastoral provision within the boarding house. This is a varied and demanding position, requiring energy, enthusiasm, and a genuine commitment to supporting young people in both their personal and academic development.

The post-holder will work within the School's Drama and Performing Arts department, supporting the delivery of high-quality teaching, and enrichment activities, while also undertaking responsibilities as a Resident Tutor within a boarding house. The role offers an excellent opportunity for graduates seeking to gain meaningful experience in education within a supportive and high-performing environment.

The role is expected to include the below key responsibilities:

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- ◇ Contribute to the delivery of the School's Co-curricular programme, supporting the Drama and Performing Arts department.
- ◇ Assist with the delivery of drama clubs, workshops, rehearsals, and other performing arts activities.
- ◇ Help promote productions, performances, showcases, and other Drama and Performing Arts events.
- ◇ Assist with lunchtime and evening activities as defined by the Director of Drama and Performing Arts.
- ◇ Support Drama teaching at KS3, GCSE, A-Level and Higher
- ◇ Assist with Set Builds and the technical set up for productions and exam pieces.
- ◇ Lead or support a Technical Theatre Club under the guidance of the Director of Drama and Performing Arts.
- ◇ Assist with the organisation of formal and informal drama and music events.
- ◇ Support the progression and development of pupils by observing performance, identifying areas for improvement, and contributing to individual and team development.
- ◇ Establish and maintain clear expectations of pupil behaviour in line with School policies, acting consistently as a positive role model.
- ◇ Contribute to the promotion and visibility of Drama and Performing Arts within the School, supporting events, marketing activities, and wider engagement with the School community.
- ◇ Work collaboratively with teaching staff, instructors, and support staff to ensure a consistent and high-quality experience for pupils.
- ◇ Undertake responsibilities as a Resident Tutor within a boarding house, supporting the day-to-day running of the house and contributing to a safe, structured, and supportive environment.

- ◇ Assist in maintaining appropriate records relating to pupil welfare, progress, and conduct, and contribute to reports and references where required.
- ◇ Support the implementation of the School's disciplinary and behavioural expectations, applying these fairly and consistently.
- ◇ Promote and encourage participation in a broad range of co-curricular and house activities, supporting a well-rounded pupil experience.
- ◇ Engage with parents, where appropriate, to support communication regarding pupil welfare and progress.
- ◇ Ensure compliance with safeguarding, health and safety, and statutory requirements.
- ◇ Attend relevant meetings, training, and professional development opportunities.
- ◇ Undertake any other duties as reasonably required by the Director of Drama and Performing Arts or Housemaster/Housemistress.
- ◇ Act at all times as an ambassador for the School, upholding its values, ethos, and reputation.

Who are we looking for?

Qualifications and Experience

We are looking for graduates who have a genuine interest in working with young people aged 13–18, and who are keen to develop their experience within a school environment.

While prior experience of working with young people is beneficial, it is not essential. More important is a clear enthusiasm for supporting pupils' development and a willingness to engage fully in school life.

A relevant degree or educational background in Drama, Performing Arts, Technical Theatre, Theatre Studies, or a related discipline would be advantageous, as would experience of participating in, supporting, or delivering drama, performing arts, technical theatre, productions, or other related creative activities.

The successful candidate will be required to obtain clearance through Disclosure Scotland's PVG Scheme..

Knowledge and Skills

You will be able to motivate and encourage pupils to participate in drama and performing arts, helping to build confidence, teamwork, and a positive attitude.

Strong communication skills are essential, with the ability to engage effectively with pupils, colleagues, and parents. You should be organised, able to manage your time well, and comfortable using IT to support your work.

An awareness of the importance of pupil wellbeing is key, and any interest or training in this area would be beneficial. A full, clean driving licence (or willingness to obtain the appropriate licence) would also be advantageous.

Personal Qualities

We are seeking individuals who are enthusiastic, approachable, and committed to supporting the holistic development of young people in a values-led environment.

You will be confident building relationships, maintaining a professional manner, and contributing positively to a busy school community. Reliability, flexibility, and a willingness to take on a varied role - including evening and weekend commitments - are essential.

You should be able to work both independently and as part of a team, using initiative where required, and remain calm and organised when managing multiple responsibilities. Above all, you will bring energy, commitment, and a genuine desire to make a positive difference to pupils' experience.

Terms of Appointment

- ◇ The post-holder will start in January 2027 and will be employed on a fixed term-contract.
- ◇ £18,796 per annum, plus a heating and lighting allowance of £335 per annum. A two-bed flat also forms part of the remuneration package.
- ◇ The post-holder will within reason, be expected to work such hours as may be necessary for the efficient carrying out of the role responsibilities. The normal working week will be 6 days per week in consultation with the Director of Drama and Performing Arts and the Housemaster/mistress. Normal working hours will be considered to be an average of 45 hours per week. There will be a requirement for evening and weekend work. Flexibility in regard to working hours is deemed an essential aspect of this role.

Pension Scheme

- ◇ A contributory pension scheme with an employer contribution of 4%.

Benefits

- ◇ Free On-site accommodation.
- ◇ Free meals when on duty.
- ◇ Free On-site parking.
- ◇ Staff discount in the Art Café
- ◇ Discounts in 100's of retailers.
- ◇ Cycle to Work Scheme.
- ◇ Blue-light card eligibility.
- ◇ Death-in service cover.

Other Information

- ◇ Any offer of employment will be subject to Safer Recruitment checks, including suitable clearance through Disclosure Scotland's PVG scheme, the receipt of two satisfactory professional references and proof of the Right to Work in the UK. The successful candidate will also be required to register with the SSSC within 3 months of commencing post.

Application Process

- ◇ If you would like to apply, please submit your application online by 29th September 2026. The interviews will be arranged shortly after.
- ◇ For any queries regarding the role or the application process, or to arrange an initial conversation, please contact us at: hr@strathallan.co.uk.



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