

Job Title: Vanderbilt Summer Academy (VSA) Summer ACE Instructor

Location: Nashville, TN

Type: Non-Residential

About Vanderbilt Summer Academy:

Housed within Programs for Talented Youth (PTY), a department within Peabody College, Vanderbilt Summer Academy (VSA) hosts around 500 academically gifted middle and high school students throughout 1, 2 or 3 week residential summer programs. VSA students join us from around the world to immerse themselves in academically accelerated coursework and a full pre-college residential experience.

Job Description:

A VSA After Class Enrichment (ACE) Instructor is an important member of the Vanderbilt Summer Academy team. After six hours in intensive academic classes each day, students step into an ACE class as a non-academic experience where they can learn something new or engage further into a hobby or skill. ACE classes allow students to participate in a structured activity which encourages exploration through creative, athletic, and/or gaming options. Each week a new group of 10-25 students will enroll in an ACE course that takes place for one hour a day for 5 days.

Do you have a special skill or talent that would make for a fun and community building one hour enrichment class at VSA? Do you have expertise or experience teaching a non-academic experience that promotes community, connection and curiosity? Come share your skill with students this summer! Recent popular ACE classes have included yoga, chess, painting, improv card tricks and/or magic and calligraphy -- and VSA is always open to new and creative ACE ideas!

Expectations:

Within their wide array of duties and responsibilities, VSA ACE Instructors are expected to:

- Serve as a role model for all student participants and colleagues.
- Uphold and exemplify community values, regulations, and expectations.
- Curate a safe, cordial, and supportive residential community for all students and staff.
- Support age-appropriate and unforgettable recreational activities.
- Enthusiastically adapt and pivot as needed to ensure optimal, engaging, and safe student experiences.

Qualifications:

The ideal candidate will:

- Be a current Peabody graduate student (preferred) or a member of the Vanderbilt community.
- Demonstrate exceptional maturity and character.
- Have experience working with teenagers in a youth development setting. (Residential life/camp counseling experience or teaching experience a plus.)
- Embody a strong team player ethic and sense of humor.

- Be able to successfully and positively communicate with individuals of all ages, experiences, and roles.
- Thrive in a fast-paced, demanding work environment that requires continuing flexibility, a positive and caring attitude, and collaboration.

Job Schedule:

- June: 8-12, 15-19, 22-25 & July: 7-10, 13-17 (a minimum of 4 out of 5 weeks is strongly preferred)
- 3:45pm-5:15pm*
- \$14.50 per hour
- Vanderbilt Peabody Campus
- Onsite Training Required

*1 hour of paid planning, in addition to the time listed above, time is allotted per 1 hour in-class teaching time.

More Information: [Vanderbilt Summer Academy](#)

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