



## **Ethnic Studies Teacher**

**Reporting To:** Principal

**Position Type:** Full-Time

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### **About ECS**

The mission of the Environmental Charter Schools (ECS) is to reimagine public education in low-income communities of color to prepare conscious, critical thinkers who are equipped to graduate from college and create a more equitable and sustainable world. Environmental Charter Schools (ECS) is a non-profit charter management organization with a growing network of free public schools in South Los Angeles.

Environmental Charter Schools create and refine engaging, project-based, environmentally-themed, arts-integrated, social-justice driven, interdisciplinary curricula and assessments.

Since its inception in 2000, ECS has been providing students with a unique learning experience that utilizes environmental service learning to inspire our students to find authentic meaning in their studies. ECS now proudly serves over 1,200 students at two middle schools (Gardena and Inglewood) and two high schools (Lawndale and Gardena). ECS' student achievement outcomes include: ECHS Lawndale ranks in the top 2% of public high schools in U.S. News & World Report, 100% of students graduate high school with the coursework necessary for admission to a four-year college or university, and 97% of students are admitted into a four-year college. Most of our students will be the first in their family to graduate from college.

### **The Opportunity**

Environmental Charter Schools is seeking a talented and dynamic Ethnic Studies teacher passionate about preparing low-income students of color for college success.

### **Responsibilities**

- Maintain high expectations for all students and a deep belief that all students can learn
- Be passionate about ethnic studies and have a working knowledge of all high school ethnic studies subjects
- Collaborate with teachers and administrators to develop curriculum
- Model a personal code of ethics aligned with ECS Mission and Vision
- Other duties as assigned

### **Qualifications**

- Single Subject Teaching credential in Social Science
- Experience teaching middle school or high school students
- Ability to work collaboratively with colleagues and administrators
- Commitment to the success of all students and the ECS mission, vision, and values

### **The Perks**

- Competitive compensation package inclusive of a generous benefits package
- Enrollment in CalSTRS
- 100% of HMO level healthcare premium costs covered by employer, and contributions towards dependent healthcare
- Employer-paid ECS life insurance
- Voluntary Benefits (Supplemental Life, Accident, Short Term Disability, etc.)
- Generous time off program includes 22 holidays, sick leave and vacation
- Support with application to loan forgiveness programs, and access to 403b Retirement Plans
- Small Learning Communities with smaller class sizes and lower student to counselor ratios



- Credentialing and Induction support
- Social and Environmental Justice Focus
- Personal growth and enrichment opportunities

This job primarily operates on a school site and in classrooms and utilizes typical office equipment (computers, phones, photocopiers, etc.). Physical demands include: positioning to lift (should be able to lift up to 30 pounds to waist high), carry, push, and/or pull, kneel, stoop, crouch and bend. Generally, the job is 60% Stationary and 40% moving/traversing. Travel required for visits to other local school sites or the Home Office (as needed).

Although ECS is not currently mandating that employees be fully vaccinated against Covid-19, it is possible that this will be a requirement in the future (subject to state and federal guidelines).

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