



Summer 2014 Placements: PhD Tutors

The Brilliant Club has now opened recruitment for its 2014 Summer Placements, which offer doctoral and post-doctoral researchers a flexible, meaningful and competitively-paid teaching opportunity in June/July.

What is The Brilliant Club?

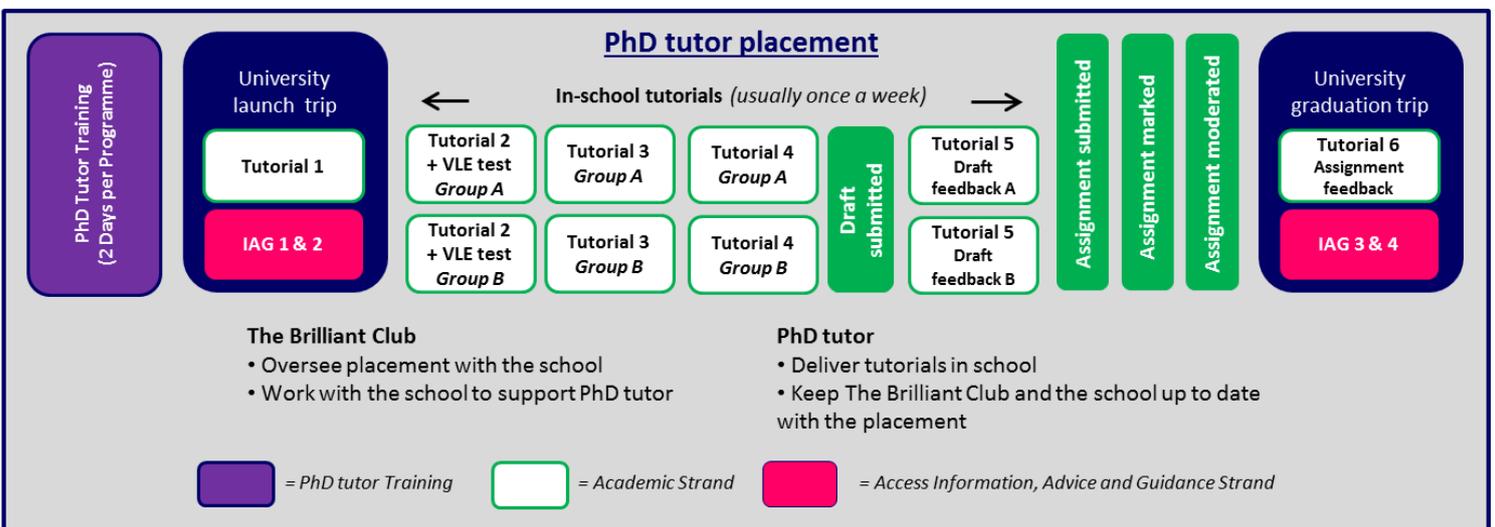
The Brilliant Club is an award winning charity that recruits, trains and places doctoral and post-doctoral researchers in low participation schools to deliver programmes of university-style tutorials to small groups of high performing pupils. Over the course of this academic year we will place over 200 researchers to work in schools across London, the South East and the Midlands, where they will work with around 5000 high performing pupils. We are now looking forward to our next round of placements, which will see Brilliant Club tutors work with hundreds of talented young people as they begin to prepare for university.

What can a successful candidate expect?

We will place successful candidates in a non-selective state school, where they will work with eight high-performing 16-18 year old pupils, delivering a series of tutorials that takes them beyond the curriculum and helps them to develop the knowledge, skills and ambition necessary to secure places at top universities. Successful candidates typically design a course based on their own research, with recent programmes as varied as 'Fighting Cancer with Sound Bullets' and 'Free Will, Luck and Moral Responsibility'.

What will a successful candidate learn?

A Brilliant Club summer placement offers tutors the chance to complete meaningful and well-paid summer work, whilst communicating their research to a non-specialist audience (increasingly a requirement for research council funding). As well as gaining teaching experience, tutors will deepen their knowledge of the UK education system, helping them understand the backgrounds of the undergraduates studying at their institutions. Our training programme is delivered by qualified teachers and focuses on learning theory and teaching technique, as well as providing practical support for tutors who choose to design their own course. All tutors also take part in a professional induction, including an Enhanced Disclosure DBS Check.



What will a summer placement look like?

After completing two full day training sessions run by qualified and experienced teachers, tutors will deliver a programme of six tutorials to two groups of four pupils. The first and last tutorials take place at our launch and graduation trips, where tutors will accompany pupils on a visit to a highly-selective university. The in-school tutorials are 75 mins in length each, and pupils will complete the programme with an extended assignment which tutors will mark before the graduation trip. Tutors are paid £450 for a single placement, and there may be the opportunity to take part in more than one placement.

How to make an application

To apply to be a Brilliant Club tutor this summer, please find the application form on our website www.thebrilliantclub.org and send the completed form with a copy of your CV to apply@thebrilliantclub.org

If you have any queries or require further information then please contact Dr Mary Henes at mary@thebrilliantclub.org