
Freelance online discussion moderator

Reports to: Programme Director

Hours: Shifts are a minimum of six hours at weekends, with flexible additional hours on weekday evenings from January 29th to March 28th 2024.

Location: Remote

Rate: £15 per hour. Please note, this is a contractor position so payment will be made on receipt of an invoice.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please send a CV and brief summary of what you can bring to the role to Olivia at oliviaplatman@economist.com

The closing date for applications is December 31st. Short interviews will be conducted online on a rolling basis. Successful applicants will be invited to an online briefing session on January 22nd.

THE ROLE

In January 2024 The Economist Educational Foundation will host its annual **Topical Talk Festival** – a ten-week global discussion between schools and topic experts on the top news stories and issues of our time. In 2023, over 1,300 students from 13 countries joined online discussions on topics from space exploration to the global food crisis.

Throughout the Festival, students posted over 14,000 comments on our Student Hub and every comment was moderated before it went live to ensure discussions were safe, appropriate and high-quality. Take a look at some of our students' best work [here](#). In 2024, more conversations will take place in our global community and we're looking for online moderators to help make it happen.

With your help, we'll enable as many children as possible to have their comments approved so that they can receive personalised feedback.

You'll work remotely alongside teachers in our team to fill in moderation slots outside of our core office hours, during weekends and evenings. Moderating slots are a minimum of 2-hours long and we will ask you to choose and commit to your slot in advance.

ABOUT US

We're a small, creative and fast-growing independent charity that was set up by staff from inside *The Economist* newspaper in 2012. We enable 10- to 16-year-olds to join inspiring discussions about the news which help them to think critically, communicate effectively and understand the world around them.

This role is part of our plan to go further. If you're passionate about great content, looking for an opportunity to make an impact and want to gain more experience with global education, we'd love to hear from you.

We deeply value diversity in all respects and encourage applications from candidates from all backgrounds.

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REQUIRED ATTRIBUTES AND EXPERIENCE

You are...

- Self-motivated and able to manage time effectively to meet targets in your moderation slot
- Passionate about The Economist Educational Foundation's mission and excited by the prospect of broadening children's understanding of the world's top new stories
- Proficient in using online systems and quick to pick up and use new technology
- Based in the UK and able to complete and provide documents for an enhanced DBS check from The Economist Educational Foundation