

URGENT NEED FOR August 2023

Dakar-Academy Liberia Co-op Teacher

Overview

SIM (www.sim.org) is a christian organization that has many missionaries serving all over the world. Its purpose and vision is the following : Convinced that no one should live and die without hearing God's good news, we believe that He has called us to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in communities where He is least known.

SIM Liberia has different ministries here on the field (www.elwaministries.org). A radio, a hospital, a dental clinic, a local school, a guesthouse, a theological seminary, and more.

Liberia is a country located on the Atlantic coast in West Africa and shares a border with three neighbouring countries. Over the past 30 years, Liberia has suffered from civil war, disease, corruption and poverty. The annual six-month wet season disables the few roads which exist and means that those who live here struggle to gain access to some of the services we take for granted.

To enable SIM missionaries to carry out their work, we are in urgent need of Primary School teachers to be seconded to Dakar Liberia Co-op. The co-op opened in August 2022 and is a small but growing mission school that strives to provide high quality, international education in a loving Christian environment. The school primarily serves the children of families in the capitol city of Monrovia working with SIM, MAF and Samaritan's Purse. Without this school, SIM directors, surgeons, MAF pilots, engineers, doctors, nurses, ... and managers with young families would be unable to commit to working in Liberia.



Responsibilities

As a teacher at Dakar Liberia Co-op, you will plan and prepare lessons based on an international curriculum currently derived from North American curriculum, but modified for our context.

You will teach in multi-grade level classrooms, establishing a calm, purposeful and respectful learning environment. Lessons will meet the strengths and needs of each individual and use pedagogical approaches to engage children and support them in their learning. You will assess regularly and plan appropriately for next steps, reporting clearly to parents. You will contribute to the Christian community of the school, committing to the spiritual development of children.

Full participation in all aspects of the life of the school is part of this exciting and essential role.

Your role requires:

- creativity when working with limited resources.
- flexibility as you adapt to the changing needs of the school community
- an ability to adjust to living in another culture and working in a cross-cultural team environment
- a positive, resilient attitude towards challenge and change



Other duties include safeguarding, supervision, the establishment of excellent working relationships with parents and families and a commitment to professional development and staff training.

Qualifications, Skills & Experience

Essential

- Bachelor's degree in education or teaching field
- Teaching credentials/certification from state or country of origin
- At least one year of primary classroom teaching experience
- Proficient in both spoken and written English language

- A personal commitment to follow Christ and His calling and to uphold the values of the school
- Proven teamwork skills

Desirable

- Overseas teaching or mission experience in a cross-cultural context
- Training in Biblical approach to cross cultural mission
- Experience in teaching in multi-level classrooms
- A relevant subject/early years specialism
- Teaching English as a Second Language (TESOL) qualification

