



ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION

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ESU Volunteering Positions

Volunteer description & person specification

Volunteer position:	ESU-Churchill Public Speaking Competition Judge
Reporting to:	Your Regional Public Speaking Coordinator (volunteer) AND ESU Public Speaking Competition Lead Organiser (staff member)
Hours of work:	1 hour training and guidance 3-4 hours per heat judged (plus travelling time)
Location:	Based within specified ESU region Travel will be required

The ESU-Churchill Public Speaking Competition is the largest and most prestigious schools public speaking competition in England and Wales. Join our team of committed regional volunteers who organise and judge the competition across England and Wales.

Overview

To act as a judge on a panel at heats of the ESU's Schools Public Speaking Competition (age 13-16) and offer constructive oral feedback.

Responsibilities

- Judge at Public Speaking Competition heats following the ESU guidelines and marking criteria
- Provide high quality and constructive oral feedback to the students that participate
- Support and promote the charitable objectives of the ESU, acting as a representative for the organisation
- Use the mark sheet provided by the ESU and follow the ESU marking criteria
- Adhere to the ESU's equity policy and safeguarding guidelines
- To work collaboratively and professionally with other judges
- To positively promote and encourage schools and young people to participate in future competitions
- Attend events punctually and inform the ESU immediately when unable to attend

Person specification

Essential

- Commit to a minimum of one academic year
- Complete and pass the online Public Speaking judge's training
- Ability to communicate effectively with young people, peers and colleagues
- Access to a vehicle, or willingness to travel by public transport
- Keen interest in promoting public speaking and/or debating skills in young people

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Desirable

- Experience in public speaking for academic or professional purposes
- Previous participant in ESU public speaking and/or debating programmes/competitions

The English-Speaking Union

The English-Speaking Union delivers education programmes and competitions across England and Wales that enable a wide range of young people to 'discover their voice'. Central to our mission is a commitment to working with schools and young people to narrow gaps in opportunity and achievement.

Most competitions are judged by ESU Volunteers who are based regionally and allow us to reach more young people across England and Wales.

Note

This job description is not a contract but is provided for a volunteer's guidance on the way in which the duties of the post are to be carried out. The content of the job description may change from time to time and the volunteer will be consulted over any substantial changes. As a volunteer, you may be required to perform work not specifically mentioned above commensurate with the scope of your role within the ESU.

The ESU is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. Therefore, we expect all employees and volunteers to share this commitment. All appointments are subject to satisfactory pre-employment checks, including identity checks and signing of a volunteer agreement and the ESU's code of conduct.

To Apply

In order to apply to be a judge, you must complete the online training module [here](#). An ESU staff member will then be in touch with you to follow up.

You can also contact the ESU's volunteer management staff at volunteering@esu.org to find out more about the role.

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