Director of Design Thinking  
Pace Academy  
Atlanta, Georgia  
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Southern Teachers is assisting Pace Academy in its search for a highly motivated, creative educator to serve as Director of Design Thinking for the Lower School. While engaging students in the design thinking methodology, this person will also help teachers transform an existing curriculum into an innovative, globally relevant program.

The Director of Design Thinking will form a partnership with faculty to train them to teach using design thinking methodology, to create units that bring current real-world issues into the classroom, especially units that align with Pace Academy’s Isdell Center for Global Leadership annual global themes: water, food, climate, conservation, energy, waste, and global health. He or she will introduce a seamless consolidation of technology in design thinking projects, expand pre-existing collaborative partnerships with local, national, and global organizations that promote education challenges using design thinking principles, take additional efforts to communicate to lower school parents the value of design thinking principles in the education process, and co-facilitate an existing after-school entrepreneurship challenge program.

The ideal candidate will hold a bachelor’s degree in elementary education with a minimum of two years teaching experience and two to five years’ experience leading the implementation of the design thinking method into elementary education. He or she must have a desire to work in an environment that prioritizes global mindedness, cultural competency, and diversity and inclusion and the flexibility to be present at specifically scheduled evening and weekend events. The candidate must possess excellent communication skills and demonstrate proficient use of technology, including activboards.

Pace Academy, an independent college preparatory school in Atlanta, Georgia, serves approximately 1100 students in grades kindergarten through twelve providing a rigorous academic curriculum to prepare students for success and an environment that helps students become confident global citizens who have a deep respect for diversity and a desire to create a positive difference in the world.

To apply, please complete the online Application to become a Southern Teachers Candidate and submit a cover letter explaining your interest in and qualifications for this position, which begins in July 2020.