



## **Olympian Fencing Club - Fencing Coach Job Description**

### **About Us**

Olympian Fencing Club is a competitive fencing club located in San Antonio, TX. The club was founded in 2010 by US Olympian (2004 Modern Pentathlon) Velizar Iliev. The club is currently run by Head Coach Tommi Hurme, a competitive fencer for over 25 years and former Princeton Varsity Team Captain. Our club has more than 80 active members from Y8 through vet 70. Our goal is to build a top 5 epee club.

### **Job Summary**

We are seeking a passionate and experienced Epee Fencing Coach to join our team and help lead our fencing program. The ideal candidate will be responsible for developing fencers of all ages and skill levels, fostering a love for the sport, and promoting sportsmanship.

### **Responsibilities**

- Design, develop, and implement training sessions tailored to different age groups and skill levels (beginner, intermediate, advanced).
- Instruct on proper fencing technique, including footwork, bladework, and tactics for epee.
- Provide individualized instruction and feedback to help fencers improve their skills and achieve their goals.
- Ensure a safe and positive learning environment for all participants.
- Motivate and inspire fencers to reach their full potential.
- Develop competition strategies for individual fencers and teams.
- Help with local and regional fencing tournaments hosted by OFC.
- Attend regional, national, and international competitions to provide strip coaching to members.
- Run after school fencing programs for kids ages 5-12.
- Promote the fencing program and recruit new participants.
- Maintain fencing equipment and organization of fencing salle.
- May assist with administrative tasks related to the fencing program.
- Be coachable and open to learning new techniques and strategies.
- Share learnings to help develop less experienced coaches.

### **Qualifications**

- Proven experience as a fencing coach (4) years.
- Competitive fencing experience preferred but not required.
- Strong understanding of fencing principles, techniques, and safety procedures for epee fencing.
- Effective communication, interpersonal, and motivational skills.
- Ability to create a positive and inclusive learning environment.
- Excellent organizational skills and the ability to manage multiple tasks.
- Strong work ethic and a commitment to professional development.

### **Certifications**

- Accredited coaching certifications (USFCA) preferred.
- First Aid and CPR certification preferred.

### **Benefits**

- Competitive pay rates and opportunities to earn additional income (private lessons, camps, after school programs).
- Ongoing professional development - we will financially support coaches to attend one coaching clinic per season.
- Relocation bonus.
- H1B visa assistance for international applicants.

### **To Apply**

Please submit your resume and cover letter to [info@olympianfencingclub.com](mailto:info@olympianfencingclub.com)



### **Additional Information**

Note:

- We are seeking coaches who can be ready by the start of the '24-'25 season (August 2024) but we are open to having coaches start immediately.
- Olympian Fencing Club is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment for our staff and members. We value qualified candidates of all backgrounds and experiences and do not discriminate on the basis of race, color,  
We are an equal opportunity employer and will consider all qualified applicants for employment without regard to the characteristics listed above.
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