

International Teacher Refresher Program

In early 2010, the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) is offering another program for internationally trained teachers who have not yet taught in a Victorian Government school. This does not preclude teachers who have undertaken Casual Replacement Teaching from applying for entry to the program. Teachers must be registered to teach with the Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT). The program will provide participants with:

- An English language program that builds upon participants' skills and develops their capacity to effectively communicate with students, parents and colleagues.
- An understanding of the context and culture of Victorian Government schools.
- The capacity to understand and utilise the major curriculum framework used within Victorian government schools to provide quality teaching and learning experiences for students.
- The capacity to use the current pedagogy that is used within schools to provide quality teaching and learning experiences for students.
- The provision of a 5 week teaching placement in a Victorian Government school setting. This may take the form of unsupervised teaching, supervised teaching, team teaching, observation or a combination of these forms.
- The ability to build relationships with students, colleagues and the broader community in the contexts of Victorian government schools.
- An understanding of the employment process within Victorian government schools and a greater capacity to access employment through an improved understanding of application writing and interview skills.

There is no cost to participants; however participants will be expected to commit to attending the entire three month program and to complete all course and homework. The program will commence in February and will be located in the City of Melbourne. There is a maximum of 25 participants. Preference will be given to teachers who are prepared to teach in schools with hard to staff subject areas or that are in hard to staff locations as listed here: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/careers/teaching/incentives/teachinghow.htm>

Please Note: Returning the Expression of Interest form does not guarantee enrolment. You may be invited for an interview and this process is organised for early February. The interviews are designed to help us make the final decisions about participants. You will be contacted if you have an interview. The interview does not guarantee enrolment. Completing the program does not guarantee employment in a Victorian school.

Interested teachers are invited to fill in the Expression of Interest form below and post it to:

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by Friday 22 January 2010.

Thank you

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First Name:	Last Name:
Date of birth:	Gender: M/F
Home Address:	Postcode:
Phone: Home	Mobile:
Email address:	
VIT Registration Number:	
Qualifications:	
Country where qualifications were obtained:	
Year in which the last qualification was obtained:	
Year of arrival in Australia:	
Have you taught in an Australian school? Y/N	
If yes in which state/territory _____ length of time _____	
Teaching Level: (please circle) Primary Secondary Special Education	
Teaching Areas:	
Are you interested in teaching in a hard to staff subject areas and locations? The list of hard to staff subjects and locations can be found at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/careers/teaching/incentives/teachinghow.htm	
If so please list the:	
subjects:	
locations:	

<p>I certify that the information supplied by me is correct and acknowledge and agree to the information provided on this form being made available to DEECD for course selection, registration and program evaluation purposes. I also agree that I will attend all classes except in the case of illness or an approved absence from the supervising teacher and will complete all class work and homework to a satisfactory level.</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Signature: _____</p> <p>Date: _____</p>

Privacy Statement

The Teacher and Education Support Development Unit, DEECD, provides educational services for teachers in conjunction with selected service providers.

On this Expression of Interest form, we ask you for information about yourself so we can process your application and administer and evaluate the training services provided for you.

The information about you is kept secure and is treated as confidential. We respect your right to privacy and will only release information about you with your consent.

If you have any concerns about providing the information requested or wish to access the information you have provided to us, please contact Deborah Towns, Teacher and Education Support Development Unit by phone on 9637 2164 or email at towns.deborah.j@edumail.vic.gov.au