

International Teacher Refresher Program-2010

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) in conjunction with Holmesglen are offering a 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 the course and homework.

The program will commence in February 2010 and will be located in the City of Melbourne.

There is a maximum of 25 participants. Preference will be given to teachers in hard to staff subject areas and those willing to teach in hard to staff locations. An up to date list of these can be located at <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 **February 2010**. The interviews are designed to help us to decide which applicants would derive the most benefit from participation in the program. You will be contacted in January if you have an interview. The interview does not guarantee enrolment. Completing the program does not guarantee employment in a Victorian school.

Please send your completed Expression of Interest form to:

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By Friday 22 January 2010

Thank you

Expression of Interest Form International Teacher Refresher Program

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:	
How many years have you taught in schools:	
Are you interested in teaching in a hard to staff location? The list of hard to staff locations and subjects can be found at http://www.education.vic.gov.au/careers/teaching/incentives/teachinghow.htm	
If so please list the locations and subjects you are interested in:	
Locations.....	
Subjects.....	
Why do you think this program will assist you in your teaching career? Please comment below. If there is not enough room here you are welcome to attach your answer on a separate page.	

<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 both DEECD and Holmesglen 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, 03 9637 2164 or email: towns.deborah.j@edumail.vic.gov.au