

**ANNA STEWART MEMORAL PROJECT
APPLICATION FORM**

13 – 24 October 2008

Closing date: Friday 3 September

Please complete the following form and fax to the VIEU office on 9254 1865

Name:

Address:

Phone:

School:

Position:

Member no.:

Record of participation in VIEU and or any other union (eg VIEU member since 1990, Rep from 1995-2000)

My reasons for wanting to participate in the project are:

How I would use skills and knowledge gained from the project:

Application form continued....

To assist in tailoring a program that reflects the interests of the successful applicant, please indicate area/areas of interest:

- Organising in Catholic secondary schools
- Organising in Catholic primary schools
- Organising in Independent schools
- Social Justice
- Women's Issues
- Occupational Health and Safety
- VIEU policies
- Working through Awards and Agreements
- Visit to the Industrial Relations Commission
- Family Friendly Agenda
- School Services Officers
- School Officers
- Beginning Teachers

Principal's Endorsement

The successful applicant is required to have their Principal's endorsement. We recommend that applicants discuss the merits of the program and provide a copy of the application materials, which includes a letter to the Principal, when requesting their support and prior to lodging the application.

- I have discussed the program with my Principal and have his/her support
- I have not discussed the program with my Principal

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

INFORMATION FOR PRINCIPALS

Dear Principal

RE: Information on the Anna Stewart Memorial Project

The Anna Stewart Program is a memorial program designed to promote women's involvement in the union movement. It involves a two week secondment program and provides invaluable professional development. VIEU is seeking your support by way of releasing the applicant if she is successful in her application. The program will run from Monday 2 October to Friday 13 October. The union will pay replacement costs at Emergency Teacher rates.

During the two week project, the successful applicants will be placed at the VIEU office and experience the full range of union work, including visiting a range of schools from both sectors, enterprise negotiations the day to day running of the VIEU office. In addition, all participants meet at Trades Hall for one whole day and two half days during the project to discuss women, work and union issues.

The participants develop skills in negotiating, conducting effective meetings, resolving disputes as well as obtaining an increased understanding of awards, agreements and policies.

The program has been a very positive and professionally worthwhile experience for all participants. With the support of employers we look forward to continuing to offer the Anna Stewart experience to our female members.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Women's Officer Therese O'Loughlin at the VIEU office on 92541860.

Yours sincerely



Debra James
General Secretary