'I never thought I’d end up here…’
A visit to The Youth Unit, Port Phillip Prison
A professional learning program for teachers of VCE Legal Studies and Year 9 and 10 law related education

Friday 24 July 2015
1.15 to 4.30pm

NOTE: Registrations close Wednesday 24 June
The early closing date is to facilitate Corrections Victoria undertaking of a full security check of each registrant prior to entry to the prison on Friday 24 July.

Participants may elect to drive or join others on the bus departing from Flinders Street.

Port Phillip Prison is Victoria’s largest maximum security prison, able to accommodate up to 934 male inmates and consisting of thirteen accommodation units, including a Youth Unit. In this professional learning program for legal educators, participants will visit the Youth Unit to hear directly from the Unit’s staff, inmates and volunteers about the Youth Unit’s goals, day-to-day operations and outcomes.

The Youth Unit was established in 2005 by G4S under the supervision of Youth Development Officer Anne Hooker. The Unit separates young, first time offenders between the ages of 18–25 from the mainstream, adult prison population and offers a number of programs aimed at changing behaviours and subsequent re-offending.

Over the last ten years the Youth Unit has almost completely eliminated incidents of self-harm and significantly lowered recidivism rates of released inmates.

One of the many programs offered in the Unit was the creation of a short film entitled Stories from the Inside. The documentary was filmed, edited and directed by the prisoners in the hope that, by telling their stories, they may stop other young people offending.

“As I sit at my desk I wonder how many more young men will walk through the doors having made mindless decisions that will affect so many people.”

Anne Hooker, Youth Development Officer, Port Phillip Prison

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GETTING THERE
ON THE DAY

Self-drive or join us on the bus

The prison is located at Truganina, 21km west of Melbourne’s Central Business District at 280 Palmers Road, Truganina.

When registering for this professional learning event participants may elect to take a bus hired by VCTA departing from outside Flinders St station at 1.15pm and returning approximately 4.45pm.

Alternatively you may elect to drive. Program registration fees vary accordingly.

SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

Registrations close Wednesday 24 June.

At this time, the VCTA will contact successful registrants to request the details of your date of birth, private address and driver’s license number.

These details will be sent, along with your name, to Corrections Victoria for a full security check.

THE PROGRAM

2.00pm Commence entry to the Youth Unit, Port Phillip Prison

2.15pm The Youth Unit

• An address by Anne Hooker, Youth Development Officer, Port Phillip Prison
• A day in the life of young inmates
• Hear from a mentor
• Programs

3.15pm Stories From the Inside

A documentary for young people

4.00pm Depart the prison

LEARNING INTENTIONS

Participants will:

• acquire a sound knowledge of the workings and programs of a Victorian Correctional Facility as you learn first-hand of the reality of life from those who work at, or live inside, the Youth Unit
• acquire an understanding of how some prison programs can help to reduce rates of self-harm and recidivism
• learn how young men from all walks of life can be caught up in a range of crimes
• learn of a valuable resource available for use in schools which is designed to stop young people from committing crimes.

Note: Registrations close Wednesday 24 June. No refunds available.
FEES AND BOOKING DETAILS

Payment must be received by VCTA prior to the program. Your registration is acceptance of our offer and as such you are liable for the payment irrespective of whether you attend.

FEES FOR SELF DRIVE (per person, inc GST)
Making your own way Phillip Prison and not taking the bus

- VCTA Individual Member: $35
- VCTA School Member: $45

FEES IF TAKING THE BUS (per person, inc GST)
Return journey from outside Flinders Street station on bus supplied by VCTA

- VCTA Individual Member: $65
- VCTA School Member: $80

Payment by credit card (VISA and Mastercard only) or by cheque/money order (payable to VCTA) mailed to PO Box 361, Abbotsford VIC 3067.

BOOKINGS – places are strictly limited to 23 participants.
To access member rates please ensure that:

- you are a VCTA member for 2015. New memberships and renewals are online at www.vcta.asn.au
- you are logged in (by using your own personal user name and password) before registering for an event. Do not use the log in details of your colleagues, this also applies to school members.

ENQUIRIES: For assistance call VCTA on (03) 9417 3555.

NO REFUNDS: Sorry, due to security checks required one month prior to the program, we are unable to provide refunds. Likewise, you are unable to send a colleague to take your place.

The Australian Professional Standards for Teachers

The Victorian Institute of Teachers has adopted the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers.

Please note: It is the responsibility of each teacher to keep your own professional learning records and, after each program, to reflect upon and note the learning acquired.

For this professional learning program VCTA identifies the following standards as applicable.

2 Know the content and how to teach it
   2.1 Content and teaching strategies of the teaching area

3 Plan for and implement effective teaching and learning
   3.4 Select and use resources

6 Professional engagement
   6.2 Engage in professional earning and improve practice

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VCE Unit 3 Consolidation
VCE Accounting, Business Management, Economics and Legal Studies
Sunday 14 June
Victoria University, Flinders St Campus, Melbourne

VCE revision and exam preparation
VCE Accounting, Business Management, Economics and Legal Studies
Sat 5 and Sun 6 September, Melbourne city venue to be confirmed