

Women's inequality inspires Loreto student in rights fight

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Lucy Tassell with the video on her laptop.

At just 16, Lucy Tassell is already fighting for rights of women in the workforce.

The Denistone East teenager has created a YouTube video clip for a school project based on the income and employment inequalities that women continue to face.

Already jokingly touted as Prime Minister Tassell by her schoolmates at Loreto Normanhurst, Lucy says she is intent on making a difference and having her voice count.

"A lot of public speaking and debating I have done has been geared towards women's issues, such as the lack of women in government representative roles," she said.

"I find these issues really important and something I can make a difference to."

The latest Australian Bureau of Statistics figures show men, on average, earn 17.6 per cent more than their female colleagues.

Titled "Take Your Place", her two-minute video uses quick soundbites from prominent women, including Hillary Clinton and Julia Gillard, black and white motivational text and an anthemic soundtrack.

Uploaded on October 28, the video has already been watched more than 200 times and has generated a lively comment section.

However, Lucy said she has also received negative feedback with some viewers questioning everything from her supposed hatred of men to her use of Prime Minister Julia Gillard's viral "misogyny" speech directed at Opposition Leader Tony Abbott last month.

"It's not to make people angry but interested and empowered to do something," she said.