

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
TERTIARY ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION (FEES)
DETERMINATION 2004**

DI 2004-137

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Vocational Education and Training Act 1995 was repealed by the Vocational Education and Training Act 2003 (A2003-37) effective 01 November 2003.

Tertiary Accreditation and Registration fees are now covered by the Tertiary Accreditation and Registration Act 2003, which also became effective on 01 November 2003. The purpose of the Act is to establish an accreditation and training registration framework for vocational education and training and higher education in the ACT, in particular by applying nationally agreed protocols and standards. Transitional arrangements allowed for the continuation of fees to be charged in line with determination DI2003-181.

Section 111 of the Act provides for fees to be determined for the purposes of the Act.

FEES AND CHARGES NO LONGER APPLICABLE

The following fees and charges are no longer applicable. Your approval is sought to remove them from the schedule of Fees and Charges.

Concurrent Authority to Conduct – Higher Education – The fee of \$4,150.00 is a duplication of the Accreditation fees and therefore the fee is no longer applicable.

Registration as a Quality Endorsed Training Organisation – The QETO status lapsed in all jurisdictions on 31 December 2003, by national agreement of all education Ministers, federal and state. The Registered Training Organisation fee, currently \$1,270.00 per annum, is now charged to all providers, including those who were QETO. Therefore, the fee of \$11,550.00 is no longer applicable.

VARIATIONS TO EXISTING FEES

	2003-04	2004-05	Date of
	\$	\$	Effect
Accreditation Services*			
Degree/Diploma/Advanced Diploma/ Doctorate and Associate Degrees ⁱ	4,150.00	4,233.00	1 July 2004
Certificate Courses (I-IV)	2,030.00	2,070.50	1 July 2004
Concurrent Accreditation – Higher Education	1,270.00	1,295.40	1 July 2004

Initial Application Fee for Degree Courses ⁱⁱ	1,100.00	1,122.00	1 July 2004
Short Courses ⁱⁱⁱ	570.00	584.00	1 July 2004
Concurrent Authority to Conduct Higher Education**	4,150.00	Delete	1 July 2004

Registration Services

Registration as a Training Organisation	1,270.00	1,301.00	1 July 2004
Extensions to Provider Scope per vocational qualification or accredited course ^{iv}	170.00	173.40	1 July 2004
Registration as a Quality Endorsed Training Organisation – (per site plus audit costs)	11,550.00	Delete	1 July 2004

Commonwealth Register of Institutions And Courses for Overseas Students

Initial Application Fees ^v	115.00	117.30	1 July 2004
Approval in ACT	460.00	469.20	1 July 2004
Amendments to register	169.00	172.35	1 July 2004

* Includes re-accreditation of existing courses

** These fees and charges are ceased from 2004-05

ⁱ Added Masters/Doctorate/Associate Degree to reflect all existing Higher education Degree Courses. The Associate Degree introduced as national decision in late 2003.

ⁱⁱ Removed Recognition Services Heading, added the word *Initial*, as the fee is only paid once and moved this fee to Accreditation.

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^{iv} Changed wording to better reflect what the fee covers.

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