

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY  
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING ACT 1995  
DETERMINATION OF FEES**

**INSRUMENT NO.166 OF 2001**

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The Vocational Education and Training Act 1995 commenced operation on 1 January 1996. The Act provides for planning, funding, coordination, evaluation, regulation and promotion of vocational education and training in the ACT.

Section 67 of the Act provides for fees to be determined for the purposes of the Act.

The fees for 2001-02 have increased from the existing 2000-01 fees by the Consumer Price Index of 2.25% as advised by the Department of Treasury. The following new fees have been introduced for 2001-02:

Re-accreditation of award – with no changes - \$245: An award often needs to be extended for a short period of time (pending new standards for example) or a licensing course is unchanged and just needs to be re-accredited with only minimal work for Accreditation Registration Council. This fee reflects the administrative time involved for such service.

Concurrent Accreditation – Higher Education - \$1,210: It is a nationally agreed protocol for the accreditation of higher education courses where the proponent is seeking accreditation to deliver the course in more than one State or Territory. If the ACT is managing the process on behalf of the other jurisdictions, the standard fee already in place for a degree will be applied. But where the accreditation is managed by another State or Territory and the ACT has a minor role, the fee needs to reflect the lower level of service and the fact that they will be paying the full fee in the managing State as well. The proposed fee of \$1,210 is based on the existing initial application fee, which covers a similar amount of work for the secretariat.

Concurrent Authority to conduct Higher Education - \$3,960: Even though another State or Territory is managing the process, this fee covers the possibility that a major presence will be established to deliver the course in the ACT – ie. a new college. The new entity may already be registered in another state. The Accreditation Registration Council will have full involvement in the accreditation and the substantial fee is for the audit role the Council must undertake in the initial accreditation and for the five years of registration.

## VARIATION TO EXISTING FEES

	2000-01 \$	2001-02 \$	Date of Effect
<b>Accreditation Services</b>			
Degree/Diploma/Advanced Diploma	3,871	3,960	1 July 2001
Certificate Courses (I-IV)	1,907	1,950	1 July 2001
Re-accreditation of award – with no changes		245	1 July 2001
Articulated Training Program	538	550	1 July 2001
Concurrent Accreditation – Higher Education		1,210	1 July 2001
Short Courses	538	550	1 July 2001
<b>Registration Services</b>			
Additions/Extensions to Provider Scope	162	165	1 July 2001
Concurrent Authority to conduct Higher Education		3,960	1 July 2001
<b>Recognition Services</b>			
Registration as a Training Organisation	1,184	1,210	1 July 2001
Registration as a Quality Endorsed Training Organisation - Per site plus audit costs	10,767	11,010	1 July 2001
Quality Information Kit	53	55	1 July 2001
Application fee for Degree Courses	1,025	1,050	1 July 2001

	<b>2000-01</b> <b>\$</b>	<b>2001-02</b> <b>\$</b>	<b>Date of Effect</b>
<b>Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students</b>			
Application Fees	109	112	1 July 2001
Approval in ACT	431	440	1 July 2001
Amendment to Register	162	165	1 July 2001
Issuing Replacement Certificates	22	23	1 July 2001