

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
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Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000109

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

AITSL: Practicums

Question

How many universities organise practicums? How many leave that to students to arrange?
Can you provide a list of each?

Answer

The Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) has provided the following response:

The Accreditation of Initial Teacher Education Programs in Australia Standards and Procedures (2015) requires the establishment of formal partnerships between universities and schools for organising practicums. All initial teacher education programs must meet these requirements to gain accreditation under the national system.

The Accreditation of Initial Teacher Education Programs in Australia Standards and Procedures (2011) also set high level expectations of an initial teacher education program on partnerships arrangements with schools for organising practicums.

AITSL does not have information regarding the organisation of practicum for individual students.