

## Senate Committee: Education and Employment

### QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017

#### Outcome: Skills and Training

#### Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000090

Senator Cameron, Doug asked on 01 March 2017, Proof Hansard page 133

#### *Completion rates on fine arts and performing arts*

##### Question

Senator CAMERON: Okay. Has there been a change in the total number of students enrolled in performing or fine arts courses with the introduction of the new course list?

Mr Hart: Specifically for fine arts, I would have to take that on notice.

Senator CAMERON: Okay, fine arts and performing arts. Can you have a look at the completion rates year on year in this area and provide details of that?

Mr Hart: For those areas of study?

Senator CAMERON: Yes—fine arts and performing arts. Are there any courses where you have given permission for one provider to deliver a certain arts course but not another provider?

##### Answer

- 1) For 2016, performing arts courses accounted for 1588 VET FEE-HELP enrolments (and fine arts courses had nil enrolments). For 2017, as at 13 March 2017, there were 472 enrolments in performing arts courses that were supported by an Australian Government VET loan program, comprising 190 applications under the VET FEE-HELP grandfathering arrangements, and 282 applications under the VET Student Loans program. There were nil enrolments in fine arts courses that were supported by an Australian Government VET loan.
- 2) VET FEE-HELP completion rates for performing and fine arts were as follows:
  - from 2011 to 2013 33.5 per cent
  - from 2012 to 2014 29.5 per cent
  - from 2013 to 2015 36.7 per cent
- 3) Yes, Schedule 3 of the *VET Student Loans (Courses and Loan Caps) Determination 2016* specifies courses that are approved only in respect of specified providers including arts courses.

Refer to table in SQ17-00028.