Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0532_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Dept & all agencies: Communications staff

1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: 2. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. 3. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location 4. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location 5. How many are graphic designers? 6. How many are media managers? 7. How many organise events?

Answer

As at 30 September 2014, there was a total of 31 staff performing dedicated communication related work.

Graphic design work is provided to the department primarily through the Shared Services Centre.

As requested, included at **Attachment A** is the information on staff classifications, the type of communication work performed, their location within the department and the agencies below:

*   Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA)

*   Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS)

*   Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)

*   Australian Research Council (ARC), and

*   Tertiary Education Quality and Standard Agency (TEQSA).

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ATTACHMENT A

Department Staffing		Events	Comms	Media	Total
Education	Ongoing				
	SES Band 1				
Canberra based staff	Executive Level	2	12	3	17
	APS4 - APS6	1	8	2	11
	APS1 - APS3				
	Non-Ongoing				
	SES Band 1		1		1
	Executive Level		1		1
	APS4 - APS6			1	1
	APS1 - APS3				
	Contractors #				
	Total	3	22	6	31

Agency Staffing		Events	Comms	Media	Total
ACARA	Ongoing				
Sydney based staff	SES Band 1				
	Executive Level				
	APS4 - APS6				
	APS1 - APS3				
	Non-Ongoing				
	SES Band 1				
	Executive Level		2		2
	APS4 - APS6		4		4
	APS1 - APS3				
	Contractors #				
	Total		6		6
AIATSIS	Ongoing				
Canberra based staff	SES Band 1				
	Executive Level		2		2
	APS4 - APS6		3		3
	APS1 - APS3				
	Non-Ongoing				
	SES Band 1				
	Executive Level		1		1
	APS4 - APS6		2		2
	APS1 - APS3				
	Contractors #				
	Total		8		8

Agency Staffing Note: AITSL employees are engaged through individual employment agreements and are not APS employees.		Events	Comms	Media	Total
AITSL	Ongoing				
Melbourne based staff	Level 5 Salary point 1-6		1		1
	Level 4 Salary point 1-4		3		3
	Level 1 Salary point 1-6		1		1
	Total		5		5
ARC	Ongoing				
Canberra based staff	SES Band 1		1		1
	Executive Level		1		1
	APS4 - APS6		1		1
	APS1 - APS3				
	Non-Ongoing				
	SES Band 1				
	Executive Level				
	APS4 - APS6				
	APS1 - APS3				
	Contractors #				
	Total		3		3
TEQSA	Ongoing				
Melbourne based staff	SES Band 1		1		1
	Executive Level		2		2
	APS4 - APS6		2		2
	APS1 - APS3				
	Non-Ongoing				
	SES Band 1				
	Executive Level				
	APS4 - APS6				
	APS1 - APS3				
	Contractors #				
	Total		5		5