

Commissioned Reports

Report	Review of Online Curriculum Resources
Date commissioned	1 May 2009
Date handed to Government	29 May 2009
Date of public release	A summary of the report is available on the Department's Digital Education Revolution website.
Terms of Reference	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify and detail existing online curriculum resources in the key learning areas for Kindergarten to Year 12. 2. Identify for each jurisdiction/sector (including national level) how online curriculum resources are developed/acquired.
Committee Members	N/A
Cost of report	\$104 553 (ex GST)
Current status	Completed and accepted

Report	Review of Online Curriculum Resources – Phase 2 (the Arts & Specified Student Groups)
Date commissioned	8 October 2009
Date handed to Government	Due first half 2010
Date of public release	Date of release not yet known.
Terms of Reference	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify and detail existing online curriculum resources in the key learning area of 'the Arts' from Kindergarten to Year 12. 2. Obtain key stakeholder feedback on certain aspects of the May 2009 review and provide updated information. 3. Synthesise information from the research into the Arts online curriculum resources with that generated across the other key learning areas. 4. Identify any marked differences or progress compared to the main findings in the May 2009 Review. 5. Identify and detail online curriculum resources in all national curriculum key learning areas available for and/or developed for specific student groups, such as indigenous students, distance education students, at risk students and students whose first language is not English. 6. Identify the number or proportion of all digital resources that have been developed overseas or are sourced online from overseas and made available to Australian schools, including by the specific student groups. 7. Identify the availability of online curriculum resources for the non-government (independent) school sector from K-12 and for all national curriculum key learning areas. 8. Produce a comparative hybrid report that identifies any new or continuing findings, issues and impediments.
Committee Members	N/A
Cost of report	\$133 783 (ex GST)
Current status	Underway

Report	Education Copyright Matrix of open access licenses
Date commissioned	14 July 2009
Date handed to Government	30 November 2009
Date of public release	Date of release not yet known.
Terms of Reference	<p>Under this project, a report will be provided on copyright practices relating to the development of curriculum materials for the school sector that must include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A detailed description of current copyright practices 2. Refinement of the draft copyright matrix developed by the National Copyright Unit under MCEETYA 3. An Education Copyright Matrix, to assist teachers to make an informed choice about both what they use and also how they licence their own education materials 4. Recommendations for the implementation of the Education Copyright Matrix across government and non-government school sectors.
Committee Members	N/A
Cost of report	\$254 241
Current status	Completed and accepted

Report	Transition to Fair Work Australia for the Building and Construction Industry
Date commissioned	22 May 2008
Date handed to Government	31 March 2009
Date of public release	3 April 2009
Terms of Reference	See www.workplace.gov.au/wilcox
Committee Members	The Hon Murray Wilcox QC
Cost of report	\$330 796
Current status	The Government introduced the Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2009 on 17 June 2009 in response to the Wilcox Report.

Report	2008 Economic Analysis of Building and Construction Industry Productivity – Updated Report
Date commissioned	1 July 2008
Date handed to Government	30 July 2008

Date of public release	1 August 2008
Terms of Reference	N/A. This was an update of the 2007 report.
Committee Members	N/A
Cost of report	\$34 320
Current status	Finalised

Report	Australian Apprentices Taskforce – Final Report
Date commissioned	April 2009
Date handed to Government	7 December 2009
Date of public release	19 March 2010
Terms of Reference	The industry led Taskforce was charged by COAG in April 2009 to undertake urgent work and make recommendations to COAG to support the engagement and retention of apprentices during the downturn.
Committee Members	See <i>Australian Apprenticeships Taskforce Final Report</i> at www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au/about/publications.asp
Cost of report	Nil for the Australian Government
Current status	Finalised

Report	Report on Proposed Approach to Mid Term Business Reallocation for Job Services Australia
Date commissioned	20 November 2009
Date handed to Government	Due first half 2010
Date of public release	N/A
Terms of Reference	See <i>Discussion Paper - Future Purchasing of Employment Services - the Mid Term Business Reallocation</i> at www.workplace.gov.au/workplace/Publications/Purchasing/DiscussionPaper/
Committee Members	See <i>Discussion Paper - Future Purchasing of Employment Services - the Mid Term Business Reallocation</i> at www.workplace.gov.au/workplace/Publications/Purchasing/DiscussionPaper/
Cost of report	Nil
Current status	In progress
Report	The impact of English language proficiency and workplace readiness on employment outcomes and performance of international students

Date commissioned	10 June 2008
Date handed to Government	August 2009
Date of public release	16 September 2009
Terms of Reference	To undertake a review of information available as to the impact of English language proficiency and workplace readiness on employment outcomes of international students.
Committee Members	N/A
Cost of report	\$123 583
Current status	Finalised