

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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What changes are underway or planned for graduate recruitment, cadetships or similar programs? If reductions or increases are envisaged please explain including reasons, target numbers etc.

Answer:

Australia Council

The Australia Council does not have graduate or cadet programs.

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National Film and Sound Archive (NFSA)

The NFSA has offered two Indigenous Cadets employment to commence in 2011. This is the first time the NFSA has engaged Indigenous Cadets. No other graduates or cadetships are planned for 2011 as the NFSA does not have a general Graduate or Cadetship program.

National Gallery of Australia

The NGA does not have a graduate recruitment program. It recruits suitably qualified professionals when able in order to fill vacancies. The NGA also has an effective internship program, and uses this program, as well as liaison with local tertiary institutions to identify and encourage prospective employees.

The NGA is this year participating with Wesfarmers in the inaugural Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous Fellowship, which will see the Gallery host a number of Indigenous interns for varying periods. The Indigenous Fellowship program comprises offerings of a Fellowship and an Associate Fellowship / Scholarship, and is to be the premier fellowship of its kind in Australia. It is funded by Wesfarmers.

National Library of Australia

The National Library of Australia (NLA) has plans to take on two graduates in 2011 and intended to engage a cadet under the APS Indigenous Cadetships Program in 2010-11. However, the NLA has been unable to locate a suitable available cadet.

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National Museum of Australia

The National Museum of Australia undertakes an Indigenous Cadetship program and a Traineeship program. No changes are underway or planned for these programs. The Museum does not have or participate currently in a Graduate Program.

Screen Australia

Screen Australia does not have graduate recruitment, cadetships or similar programs.