

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Higher Education Research and International

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000005

Senator Simms, Robert provided in writing

University - casualisation of staff

Question

Is the department concerned about the increasing reliance on casual staff and the impact this could have on the quality of teaching provided for students?

Answer

No. Staffing conditions are a matter for universities. Furthermore, the recent Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching student survey results show continuing high levels of student satisfaction (82 per cent satisfied with teaching quality).