

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

Outcome: Agency: AITSL

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000038

Senator O'Neill, Deborah asked on 10 February 2016, Proof Hansard page 47

AITSL: Teacher education institutions not accredited

Question

Senator O'NEILL: You also provided on notice a table that indicates the institutions and the programs that were accredited as of 30 October 2015. I looked for a number of institutions that were not there. Would you be able to provide me with a list of teacher education institutions that are not accredited?

Ms Evans: It is not that they are not accredited; they will be accredited or they will be coming up for accreditation under the new process. Prior to introducing the national process, there were a state run processes. What this information, I understand, includes is all the nationally accredited courses. Yes, we can provide you with some information on state—

Senator O'NEILL: The ones that are not yet nationally accredited.

Ms Evans: Yes.

Senator O'NEILL: So that would fill in the gaps?

Mr Cook: There is a transition period of a couple of years.

Answer

The Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) has provided the following response:

AITSL maintains a public facing database which provides details of each accredited program, including programs:

- currently nationally accredited (programs shown with an *)
- currently accredited under previous state and territory requirements
- undergoing national accreditation (pending)
- that are accredited but not currently offered to students.

The database is available via the following link: <http://www.aitsl.edu.au/initial-teacher-education/accredited-programs-list> Programs denoted with an * refer to those programs currently accredited under the national process. All providers with accredited initial teacher education programs can be identified through this database.

Note: There are no programs that are not accredited; however some courses are not yet accredited under the national process.