

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

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

**Outcome: Agency: AITSL**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000111**

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

***AITSL: Practicums***

**Question**

What is the minimum requirement for practicums?

**Answer**

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

*The Accreditation of Initial Teacher Education Programs in Australia Standards and Procedures (2015)* outlines the requirements that an initial teacher education program must meet to be nationally accredited. Under these arrangements, the minimum requirement for supervised professional experience is no fewer than 80 days in undergraduate and double-degree programs and no fewer than 60 days in graduate-entry programs.

These requirements were the same under the previous *Accreditation of Initial Teacher Education Programs in Australia Standards and Procedures (2011)*.