Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1.4 Support Services for Government Operations

Topic: Staffing - Graduated

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

How many graduates have been engaged this year? Where have they been placed in the department/agency? Were these empty positions or are they new positions? List what training will be provided, the name of the provider and the cost.

Answer:

In 2012, the department employed 47 graduates. The department also supports some former portfolio agencies by training graduates for them. Up to 8 of the 47 graduates will be placed in these agencies.

Graduates participate in a development program which encompasses on-the-job training supplemented by formal structured training. Table 1.1 lists the training that will be provided. Total cost of the program is approximately \$4,097 per participant.

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Table 1.1: 2012 Graduate training program

Training	Provider	Cost per participant (including GST)
Being resilient in turbulent times	Foresight Learning Systems	\$453.00
Budget processes	Internal	-
Cabinet processes	Internal	-
COAG overview	Internal	-
Completely organised program	Sarden Learning	\$748.00
Cultural awareness training	Tracey Whetnall Consulting	\$93.50
Effective writing	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Embracing stakeholder	ANZSOG Institute of	\$690.00
management	Governance	
Frontiers in policy	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Giving and receiving feedback	Best Practice Consulting	\$111.50
How to influence and persuade	Best Practice Consulting	\$111.50
How to negotiate	Best Practice Consulting	\$111.50
Introduction to policy development	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Introduction to procurement	Internal	-
Introduction to project management	Best Practice Consulting	\$111.50
Introduction to the Senate	Department of the Senate	\$330.00

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Training	Provider	Cost per participant (including GST)
Introduction to the workings of	Internal	-
Government		
Leading policy	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Performance culture framework	Internal	\$82.00
Plan to write strategically	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
PM&C Induction	Internal	-
Policy that transforms	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Preparing question time briefs	Internal	-
Preparing Senate estimates briefs	Internal	-
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Presenting numbers with influence	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Project management	Tempo Strategies	\$275.00
Resolving conflict in the workplace	Sarden Learning	\$159.50
Speech writing	Internal	-
Strategic thinking	Internal	-
Policy in context	Internal	-
Working with ministers	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Writing for ministers	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Writing for speaking	Interaction Consulting	\$82.00
Total cost per participant		\$4097.00