AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

TERTIARY ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION ACT 2003

TERTIARY ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION (FEES) DETERMINATION 2006

DISALLOWABLE INSTRUMENT: DI 2006-131

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Tertiary Accreditation and Registration Act 2003* commenced operation on 1 November 2003. The purpose of the Act is to establish an accreditation and training registration framework for vocational education and training and higher education in the ACT, in particular by applying nationally agreed protocols and standards.

Section 111 of the Act provides for fees to be determined for the purposes of the Act.

Variations to Existing Fees

	2005-06 \$	2006-07 \$	Date of Effect
Accreditation			
Higher Education Accreditation i			
Degree/Diploma/Advanced Diploma/ Doctorate and Associate Degrees	4,636.00	4,752.00	1 July 2006
Concurrent Accreditation – Higher Education ⁱⁱ	1,333.00	1,366.00	1 July 2006
Initial Application Fee for Degree Courses iii	1,155.00	1,183.00	1 July 2006
Vocational Accreditation iv			
Diploma/Advanced Diploma/Vocational Graduate Diploma/Vocational Graduate Certificate	4,636.00	4,752.00	1 July 2006

Certificate Courses (I-IV)	2,132.00	2,185.00	1 July 2006
Short Courses	598.00	612.00	1 July 2006
Registration Services			
Registration as a Training Organisation ^v	1,333.00	1,366.00	1 July 2006
Extensions to Provider Scope per vocational qualification or accredited course vi	178.00	182.00	1 July 2006
Commonwealth Register of Institutions And Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS))		
Initial Application Fee	117.00	Delete	1 July 2006
Approval in ACT	471.00	Delete	1 July 2006
Amendments to register	173.00	Delete	1 July 2006

New fees and Charges

Accreditation

Vocational

An initial application fee of \$119.00 is proposed for 2006-2007. The fee has been based on the same pricing formula as the initial application fee listed under Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS).

Registration

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Removal of Fees and Charges

The following fees and charges are no longer applicable for the reasons set out below. Your approval is sought to remove them from the determination of fees and charges for the ACT Accreditation and Registration Council.

Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS)

Initial Application Fee	\$117.00
Approval in the ACT	\$471.00
Amendments to register	\$173.00

CRICOS - All sectors are now identified under accreditation and registration sub-headings.

The initial application fee has been inserted under both the accreditation heading under the Vocational sub-heading and under the registration heading as initial application.

The approval in the ACT fee is no longer applicable as CRICOS providers will now pay an annual registration as a training organisation fee, as do all other providers.

The amendments to register fee has been incorporated in the extensions to provider scope per qualification or accredited course fee under the registration heading.

ⁱ The word Accreditation to be removed as it already appears as the heading.

Applies when the ACT is participating in another state/territory's concurrent process. iii Remove the words "for Higher education Courses" from the fee description.

iv The word Accreditation to be removed as it already appears as the heading.

^v Can include Group Training Organisations, Higher education Providers, Registered Training Organisations and Commonwealth Register of institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS) Providers.

vi The word vocational to be removed from the fee description to allow the fee to cover all sectors.