



Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Asked by Mr Jeremy Hanson CSC MLA on 22 November 2023: Professor Lincoln took on notice the following question(s):

Reference: Hansard uncorrected proof transcript 22 November 2023 [PAGES 9-10]

In relation to: Teacher education graduates

MR HANSON: Could you?

Ms Lincoln: Yes, this is my ...(indistinct)... [9.32.16] job, so—

MR HANSON: Well, I am surprised you did not know that.

Ms Lincoln: I have been at UC for five and a half years, but not in education, so—

MR HANSON: Okay. Yes, so if you could just get me the numbers?

Ms Lincoln: Yes, absolutely.

MR HANSON: Could you also give me a sense of what a—and you may have this or not, but a HECS bill, so if you graduate as a teacher, then what is your likely HECS bill?

Ms Lincoln: Yes, we can take that.

MR HANSON: Do you have that or you do not know?

Ms Lincoln: Not off the top of my head, but we can take that on notice too.

Professor Michelle Lincoln: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

Teacher education graduates

- Primary Education (across both undergraduate and postgraduate study) has averaged 111 graduates per year for the last 5 years.
- Secondary Education (across both undergraduate and postgraduate study) has averaged 97 graduates per year for the last 5 years.

Graduates by course	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Bachelor Of Early Childhood And Primary Education	29	12	27	27	20
Bachelor Of Primary Education	50	44	41	36	56
Bachelor Of Primary Education (Creative Arts)	3	11	12	7	7
Bachelor Of Primary Education (Graduate Entry)	19	13	3		
Bachelor Of Primary Education (Health And Physical Education)	5	14	14	13	9
Bachelor Of Primary Education (Stem)	1	10	5	6	6
Master Of Primary Teaching			13	21	20
Bachelor Of Secondary Education (Graduate Entry)	11	3	1		
Bachelor Of Secondary Education (Health And Physical Education)	11	17	12	30	23
Bachelor Of Secondary Education/Bachelor Of Arts	29	23	25	24	27
Bachelor Of Secondary Education/Bachelor Of Mathematics And Computing Technology Studies		1	2	2	
Bachelor Of Secondary Education/Bachelor Of Science	11	9	10	11	7
Master Of Secondary Teaching	31	49	30	47	38
Grand Total	200	206	195	224	213

Approximate HECS – Teacher education

Assumptions used in approximate HECS debt calculation:

- 2023 commencer
- No indexation but including Student Service and Amenities Fee (SSAF)
- Student completes/passes all units
- Student completes a typical mix of units, mostly in Cluster 2 / HECS Band 1

Course Type	Indicative HECS debt (2023 dollars)
UG Primary	\$18,500
PG Primary	\$9,000
UG Secondary	\$20,500
PG Secondary	\$9,000

Note: a postgraduate student would already hold a Bachelor degree or equivalent in a relevant discipline area for teaching, which may involve HECS.

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Signature: 

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