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Dear Nigel,

## **Revocation of Funding Mechanisms: Entrepreneurial Universities and Information and Communications Technology Graduate Schools**

I am writing to advise you that I am revoking the following funding mechanisms made under section 159L of the Education Act 1989:

- the determination of design of the funding mechanism for Entrepreneurial Universities to fund activities delivered from 1 April 2017; and
- the determination of design of the funding mechanism for Information and Communications Technology Graduate Schools to fund activities delivered from 1 January 2019.

These funding mechanisms are revoked with effect from the date of this letter and no new requests for funding (either in a proposed plan or through an application) may be approved.

The Tertiary Education Commission will continue to provide funding under those funding mechanisms if that funding was approved prior to the revocation date. Tertiary education organisations that receive such funding must continue to comply with the conditions imposed on their funding.

Funding may not be extended or renewed beyond the expiry of the current period of approval for funding.

I also attach an updated funding determination to guide those Information and Technology Graduate Schools under contract until 31 December 2020, which includes a 1.8 percent increase to all funding rates specified in the determination. This funding determination will expire 31 December 2020.

Please notify tertiary education organisations that are potentially affected by this decision.

Yours sincerely,

**Chris Hipkins**  
Minister of Education

# **DETERMINATION OF DESIGN OF FUNDING MECHANISM: INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY GRADUATE SCHOOLS**

## **PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS**

### ***Statutory authority***

1. This determination, which is made under section 159L of the Education Act 1989 (the Act), specifies the design of the funding mechanism for Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Graduate Schools (the funding mechanism).
2. This determination incorporates the supplementary determinations issued on 19 December 2016 and 4 September 2017.

### ***Purpose***

3. The purpose of ICT Graduate Schools is to deliver industry-focused ICT education, and ICT research and development, built on connections between tertiary education providers and businesses.
4. Funding paid under this funding mechanism comprises:
  - a. Student Achievement Component (SAC) funding, to contribute towards the provision of teaching and learning services for students enrolled in ICT Graduate Schools (ICT SAC funding); and
  - b. funding to contribute towards the costs of establishing ICT Graduate Schools (ICT establishment funding); and
  - c. funding to support the agreed outcomes of ICT Graduate Schools (ICT outcomes funding), including research and industry collaboration undertaken in ICT Graduate Schools and non ICT SAC-funded ICT teaching and learning activities.

### ***Off-plan funding***

5. The Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) must pay funding allocated under this funding mechanism under section 159ZC of the Act.

## **PART ONE: THE FUNDING MECHANISM**

### **General parameters**

#### ***Effective period dates***

6. This funding mechanism is to fund provision from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020.
7. The TEC may exercise any of its administrative functions as required to give effect to this funding mechanism before 1 January 2020.

#### ***Available funding***

8. The total amount of government funding that can be spent under this funding mechanism will be set through the Government's annual budget processes.

#### ***Eligibility and selection of ICT Graduate Schools***

9. The TEC must select, through a competitive process determined by the TEC, tertiary education organisation (TEOs) and/or consortia to operate one or more ICT Graduate Schools.
10. A consortium must include a TEO that meets the eligibility criteria in paragraphs 11 and 12 of this funding mechanism and that is nominated as the 'lead TEO'. A consortium may include TEOs or other organisations (such as employers and industry bodies) and must include at least one TEO or other organisation in addition to the lead TEO. A reference to an ICT Graduate School in the subsequent paragraphs of this funding mechanism is a reference to all TEOs or other organisations that are members of a consortium, including the lead TEO.
11. If the TEC selects a consortium to operate one or more ICT Graduate Schools, the TEC must pay funding under this funding mechanism to the lead TEO. In this funding mechanism, any reference to a TEO includes a reference to a lead TEO of a consortium.
12. The TEC may only fund a TEO under this funding mechanism if that TEO is one of the following:
  - a. a tertiary education institution (TEI), namely:
    - i. a university; or
    - ii. an institute of technology and polytechnic (ITP); or
    - iii. a wānanga; or
  - b. a private training establishment (PTE).

#### ***TEC administrative responsibility in the case of under-funding***

13. If a TEO receives funding under this funding mechanism that is less than it should have been, or than what it was entitled to receive, the TEC must treat the amount of the under-funding as a credit and pay the amount of the under-funding as soon as reasonably practicable.

### **TEO quality assurance**

14. To be eligible for funding under this funding mechanism, a TEO must be quality assured by:
  - a. the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA), if the TEO is an ITP, a wānanga, or a PTE; or
  - b. the New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee, if the TEO is a university.

### **ICT Student Achievement Component (SAC) funding**

15. The TEC allocates ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism for programmes of study at ICT Graduate Schools (ICT SAC-funded activities).
16. For the purposes of calculating the amount of ICT SAC funding to be allocated to a TEO under this funding mechanism, the TEC must use the metric set out in the *Determination of Design of Funding Mechanism: Student Achievement Component – provision at Level 3 and above on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework* (funding mechanism for SAC Level 3+) in effect from 1 January 2020.
17. For the avoidance of doubt, the metric is as follows:
  - a. the number of valid domestic enrolments, measured in equivalent full-time students (EFTS); and
  - b. the qualifications, and their component courses, in which students are enrolled, and the assigned course classifications, funding categories, and funding rates of those qualifications and component courses.

### **Valid domestic enrolments**

18. For the purpose of this funding mechanism, the term “valid domestic enrolment” refers to the enrolment of a student who is:
  - a. one of the following:
    - i. a domestic student<sup>1</sup>; or
    - ii. an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident currently residing in New Zealand; and
  - b. either:
    - i. aged 16 years and over; or
    - ii. aged under 16 years and meets the criteria determined by the TEC; and
  - c. studying in New Zealand, unless the student meets the criteria in paragraph 21; and
  - d. has paid or committed to pay their fees (if fees apply).
19. The TEC must establish criteria for determining under which circumstances a student can be considered to be a valid domestic enrolment, if the student:

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<sup>1</sup> For the definition of domestic student, refer to section 159 of the Act.

- a. is aged under 16 years; or
  - b. has not paid their fees (if fees apply).
20. The TEC must establish the requirements that TEOs must comply with to verify each student's identity, and confirm that a student is a valid domestic enrolment.

*Eligibility for students studying outside of New Zealand*

21. A student studying outside of New Zealand is a valid domestic enrolment only if:
- a. the student is:
    - i. a domestic student as defined by section 159 of the Act, including regulations made under section 159(4) of the Act; and
    - ii. enrolled in a course(s) leading to the award of a recognised qualification offered by a New Zealand TEO; and
  - b. the student meets the following criteria if they are studying at an overseas campus or delivery site (irrespective of whether they are enrolled at the TEO's New Zealand campus or overseas campus):
    - i. enrolled at a New Zealand TEO in a programme leading to the award of a qualification at level 7 or above on the NZQF; and
    - ii. the study outside New Zealand is full-time and face-to-face (i.e. not an extramural enrolment) in an approved country identified on the Education New Zealand website; and
    - iii. is undertaking part (but not all) of the programme outside New Zealand.

*Inducements*

22. Even if a student meets the criteria specified in paragraph 18, the enrolment is not a valid domestic enrolment for the purposes of this funding mechanism if it has been secured by way of an inducement.
23. For the purposes of this funding mechanism, an "inducement" may include a financial incentive or ongoing personal possession of physical items where they induce a student to enrol.
24. The TEC must establish criteria for determining what constitutes an inducement.

*The metric*

Measurement of enrolments

25. The TEC must measure valid domestic enrolments in units of EFTS. One (1.0) EFTS unit is defined as the student workload that would normally be carried out by a student enrolled full-time in a single academic or calendar year.
26. The TEC will determine the EFTS value of each qualification and its components based on published criteria. These criteria should reflect the principle that the TEC, in setting EFTS values, will take into account both the inputs and the outputs of the learning process.

#### Course classification: "1-39 Classification Prescription"

27. A TEO must assign each of its courses to a course classification listed in Table 1, "Course Classification Prescription", of Appendix 1. The content of the course (rather than its name) must determine the assignment.
28. The TEC must validate each TEO's assignment of its courses to the appropriate course classification.

#### Funding categories

29. The TEC must assign each course classification to a funding category in accordance with Tables 2 and 3 of Appendix 1. Each category must have:
  - a. an alphabetic code, which applies to groups of courses according to their course classifications; and
  - b. a numeric code that reflects the level of study.
30. In relation to course classification #22.1, 'Vocational Training for Industry', the TEC must categorise courses according to their subject content.
31. The funding category codes are set out in Table 2, "Funding categories: alphabetic code" of Appendix 1, and Table 3, "Funding categories: numeric code" of Appendix 1.

#### Funding rates

32. The TEC must apply the per-EFTS funding rates for TEOs as set out in Table 4, "Funding rates" of Appendix 1.

#### ***Eligibility of students***

33. The TEC must ensure that ICT SAC funding paid to a TEO under this funding mechanism is only used for programmes of study for valid domestic enrolments, as defined in paragraphs 18 to 20 of this funding mechanism.

#### ***Eligible programmes and qualifications***

##### *General matters*

34. The TEC must ensure that the ICT SAC funding paid to a TEO under this funding mechanism is only used for a course that:
  - a. is part of a programme that is eligible to be provided by an ICT Graduate School; and
  - b. is provided by an ICT Graduate School; and
  - c. leads to the award of a qualification at level 3 or above on the NZQF; and
  - d. has been quality assured by either the NZQA or the New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee (where appropriate).

35. For the purposes of paragraph 34(a) of this funding mechanism, the TEC must establish criteria for determining what programmes are eligible to be provided by an ICT Graduate School.

*Specific matters*

36. The TEC must ensure that ICT SAC funding paid to a TEO under this funding mechanism is not used for a programme of study where the TEC considers on reasonable grounds that a majority of the programme of study relates to health and safety or regulatory compliance learning.
37. The TEC must ensure that SAC funding paid to a TEO under this funding determination does not exceed a maximum EFTS value of 4 EFTS for doctoral study.

***Funding for the establishment of schools and to support the agreed outcomes of ICT Graduate Schools***

38. The TEC must establish criteria for allocating to TEOs:
  - a. ICT establishment funding; and
  - b. ICT outcomes funding.
39. The TEC must ensure that ICT establishment funding and ICT outcomes funding paid to a TEO under this funding mechanism are not used to contribute towards the costs of ICT SAC-funded activities.

## **PART TWO: FUNDING CONDITIONS**

### **General conditions**

40. The TEC, in funding an eligible TEO under this funding mechanism under section 159ZC of the Act, may impose any conditions on funding that it considers necessary, including, without limitation, conditions for ensuring that funding will achieve the purpose for which it has been provided.

### **Conditions that the TEC must attach to funding**

#### ***Tertiary Education Organisations***

41. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives funding under this funding mechanism must meet, and for the length of the funding period continue to meet, all of the eligibility criteria specified in paragraphs 12 and 14 of this funding mechanism.
42. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must:
  - a. not subcontract any ICT SAC-funded activities without the prior written consent of the TEC; and
  - b. comply with any conditions imposed by the TEC on a consent to subcontract ICT SAC-funded activities; and
  - c. ensure that a party to whom ICT SAC-funded activities are subcontracted does not further subcontract any functions; and
  - d. remain accountable for the use of any ICT SAC funding that is subcontracted.

#### ***Students and enrolments***

43. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must ensure that each eligible student meets and continues to meet the criteria specified in paragraph 33 of this funding mechanism.
44. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must not:
  - a. restrict enrolment in programmes that are funded with ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism on the basis of private advantage (for example, enrolment being restricted to the TEO's employees only); and
  - b. secure or seek to secure a valid domestic enrolment through the offering of an inducement, as specified in paragraphs 22 to 24.
45. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must verify a student's identity, and confirm that a student is a valid domestic enrolment in accordance with the requirements developed by the TEC.



### ***Reporting withdrawals to Ministry of Social Development***

46. The TEC must attach a condition of funding that a TEO that receives funding under this mechanism report the withdrawal of students to the Ministry of Social Development within five working days of each withdrawal. This is to enable student loans and student allowances to be cancelled as soon as possible.

### ***Courses, programmes and qualifications***

47. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must ensure that a course in which an eligible student is enrolled meets and continues to meet the criteria specified in paragraph 34 of this funding mechanism.
48. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO must not use funding paid under this funding mechanism to fund provision that leads to a qualification where a majority of the courses in the qualification relate to health and safety or regulatory compliance.

### ***Fees and associated course costs***

49. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism:
- a. must pay for the necessary equipment, infrastructure and hardware required to deliver a particular course or qualification<sup>2</sup>; and
  - b. in relation to the provision of essential equipment, including computers, must not:
    - i. include the costs of that equipment in any fees, compulsory course costs, or compulsory student services fees, charged to students; or
    - ii. require the costs to be met through the "course-related costs" component of the Student Loan Scheme, as a condition of enrolment for students; and
  - c. must not meet the costs of overseas travel for students through the use of funding obtained under this funding mechanism or via the Student Loan Scheme, unless the overseas travel is academically essential.
50. For the purposes of paragraph 49(c) of this funding mechanism, the TEC must develop guidelines determining when overseas travel is academically essential.
51. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must comply with the Annual Maximum Fee Movement, as specified in Part Three of this funding mechanism.
52. Any limits on fees for further years will be determined by way of a variation to the funding mechanism.

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<sup>2</sup> The phrase "equipment, infrastructure and hardware" refers to those items that can be used by successive intakes of students. It does not include personal items which are provided for individual student use and which the TEO does not retain for the next intake of students.

### ***Fees-Free Tertiary Education***

53. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO must not charge an eligible student an amount in respect of fees (as defined by any delegation to the TEC in force relating to the funding of Fees-Free Tertiary Education and issued under section 159F(1)(e) of the Act) otherwise payable by the student if the TEC has advised the TEO that the TEC will:
  - a. if the TEO is not a PTE, pay that amount to the TEO in respect of fees on behalf of the student; or
  - b. if the TEO is a PTE, compensate the PTE for that amount in respect of fees forgone as a result of the condition required to be imposed under this paragraph.
54. For the purposes of the condition that the TEC must impose under paragraph 52, the TEC must determine each amount payable to a TEO by the TEC in accordance with criteria set out in any delegation to the TEC in force relating to the funding of Fees-Free Tertiary Education and issued under section 159F(1)(e) of the Act.
55. Each TEO must work collaboratively with the TEC to give effect to the Fees-Free Tertiary Education initiative. In particular, the TEO must provide information as required by the TEC relating to fees, and also to enable the TEC to understand the EFTS consumption of eligible students.
56. Any fees in excess of the amount payable by the TEC under paragraphs 52 and 53 may be charged by the TEO to the student.

### ***TEO responsibilities***

57. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must accurately assign each of its courses to a course classification listed in Table 1, "Course Classification Prescription" of Appendix 1 of this funding mechanism.
58. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding, ICT establishment funding, or ICT outcomes funding must meet minimum performance standards specified by the TEC.
59. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT establishment funding or ICT outcomes funding under this funding mechanism must not use that ICT establishment funding or ICT outcomes funding to contribute towards the costs of ICT SAC-funded activities.

### ***Lead TEO responsibilities***

60. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that the lead TEO of a consortium must enter into an arrangement, or arrangements, with each other member of the consortium that:
  - a. enables the lead TEO to meet conditions of funding imposed by the TEC on the lead TEO; and
  - b. imposes on each other member of the consortium obligations owed to the lead TEO that are similar to the lead TEO's obligations in respect of any funding received under this funding mechanism; and

- c. imposes on each other member of the consortium obligations to provide information to and fully cooperate with the lead TEO and the TEC, in order to verify the lead TEO's compliance with conditions of funding imposed by the TEC on the lead TEO.
61. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that the lead TEO of a consortium must not, without the prior written consent of the TEC, enter into any arrangement with another TEO, or end any arrangement with any other member of that consortium that is a TEO, that would have the effect of changing the membership of the consortium that the TEO leads.

***No other funding***

62. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives ICT SAC funding under this funding mechanism must:
- a. not (without the TEC's prior written consent) seek or obtain funding from any Crown source other than the TEC to fund ICT SAC-funded activities; and
  - b. notify the TEC immediately if it becomes aware of any circumstances that might result in a breach of sub-paragraph (a) of this condition.

***Responsible use of funding***

63. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO that receives any funding under this funding mechanism must use the funding:
- a. lawfully, responsibly, and for the purposes for which it is provided; and
  - b. in a manner consistent with the appropriate use of public funds.

***Recovery of over-funding***

64. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that if a TEO receives any funding under this funding mechanism that is greater than it should have been, or that it was not entitled to receive, the TEO must treat the amount of the over-funding as a debt due to the Crown that:
- a. is repayable on demand; and
  - b. may be set-off against all or any funding or any sum of money payable by the TEC to the TEO.
65. The TEC must provide the TEO with reasonable notice before exercising its right to demand repayment or set-off the debt against all or any funding.
66. For the purposes of this condition, a TEO will have received ICT SAC funding that was "greater than it should have been" if the total dollar value of the ICT SAC-funded provision funded under this funding mechanism that is delivered by the TEO, or in the case of a lead TEO, all of the members of that lead TEO's consortium, is less than the expected value in each of the funding years.

***Repayment of funding following revocation of funding approval***

67. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that if, in accordance with section 159ZF of the Act, the TEC suspends or revokes some or all of a TEO's funding paid under this funding mechanism before that funding has been used or contractually committed towards the purposes for which that funding was provided, then the TEO must treat the unexpended or uncommitted portion of the funding as a debt due to the Crown that:
- a. is repayable on demand; and
  - b. may be set-off against all or any funding, or any sum of money payable by the TEC to the TEO.

***Disclosure of data from Statistics New Zealand's Integrated Data Infrastructure***

68. The TEC must attach to funding a condition that a TEO consents, for the purposes of section 37A(a) of the Statistics Act 1975, to Statistics New Zealand disclosing information to the Ministry of Education and the TEC from its Integrated Data Infrastructure that identifies, or may identify, the TEO.
69. The TEC must inform TEOs that the Statistics Act 1975 does not constrain the ongoing use or sharing of the TEO-level data once it is disclosed.

## **PART THREE: THE ANNUAL MAXIMUM FEE MOVEMENT**

### **General**

70. The conditions in Part Three of this funding determination apply to fees and course costs (together referred to as “fees”) charged by TEOs for a SAC-funded course that is part of a programme that leads to a qualification at level 3 or above on the NZQF.
71. Fees associated with a particular course are subject to these conditions if:
  - a. the TEO is the sole source of the item to which the fee relates; and
  - b. all domestic students validly enrolled in the course are required to pay the fees.

### **Definition**

72. The term “fees” includes the following items: tuition fees, compulsory course costs, examination fees, material charges, costs of field trips, costs associated with the compulsory purchase of equipment or books through a TEO, and other charges associated with a course.

### **Annual Maximum Fee Movement**

73. The annual maximum fee movement (AMFM) for 2020 is a 2% increase on the fees (GST exclusive) charged in 2019, for a course at level 3 and above on the NZQF, for which a TEO receives SAC funding, and which is part of a programme leading to qualifications listed on the NZQF<sup>3</sup>.

### **New courses**

74. The AMFM applies to any new courses established by a TEO in substitution for an existing course dealing with the same or similar subject matter, at a same or similar level on the NZQF, for which funding under this funding mechanism can be used.

### **Exceptions to the AMFM**

75. A TEO may apply for an exception to the AMFM for a SAC-funded course that is part of a programme that leads to a qualification at level 3 or above on the NZQF on the basis of exceptional circumstances (listed below in paragraphs 76 a-d).
76. The TEC may grant an exception to the AMFM for one or more of a TEO's courses; however, any exception granted must not exceed an additional 2% increase over and above the permitted 2% increase.
77. In considering whether or not there are exceptional circumstances, the TEC must only have regard to the following criteria:
  - a. the TEO is unable to support the course while remaining financially viable; and
  - b. for a course which is part of a programme leading to a qualification at level 3 to 8 on the NZQF, the completion rate for the qualification met or

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<sup>3</sup> For the avoidance of doubt, the AMFM also applies to professional masters programmes.

exceeded the median performance benchmark for that level in the previous year; and

- c. the TEO can demonstrate that the course is in some way unique or special, for example, that there are no available local alternatives to the course; and
- d. not allowing an exception will prevent the TEO from making a significant contribution to the achievement of one or more of the Government's priorities, as set out in the Tertiary Education Strategy.

78. The TEC must only grant an exception if it is satisfied that the TEO meets all of the above criteria.

#### **Zero fee or low fee courses**

79. If the fees for a SAC-funded course that is part of a programme that leads to a qualification at level 3 or above on the NZQF were less than \$511.11 (GST inclusive) or \$444.44 (GST exclusive) per EFTS in the previous year, then a TEO may increase the fee by the greater of:

- a. (up to) \$511.11 (GST inclusive) or \$444.44 (GST exclusive) per EFTS; or
- b. 2%.

#### **Fee setting limits for new courses**

80. The fees for a new course at level 3 and above on the NZQF established by a TEO must be no more than the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile from the range of fees charged for similar courses. TEC will specify how similar courses will be determined.

81. The fee setting limits apply to any new courses at level 3 and above on the NZQF established by a TEO, except where the course is in substitution for an existing course dealing with the same or similar subject matter, at a same or similar level on the NZQF, for which SAC funding can be used.

#### **Exceptions for fee setting limits for new courses**

82. A TEO may apply for an exception from the fee setting limits for new courses for a SAC-funded course that is part of a programme that leads to a qualification at level 3 or above on the NZQF on the basis of exceptional circumstances (listed below in paragraphs 78 (a)-(d)).

83. The TEC will have discretion to determine how much a TEO can set fees for any new courses granted an exception.

84. In considering whether or not there are exceptional circumstances, the TEC must only have regard to the following criteria:

- a. the course is part of a programme of study that would be financially unviable without a higher fee; and
- b. where the course is part of a qualification at levels 3 to 8 on the NZQF that has been delivered previously, the completion rate for the qualification met or exceeded the median performance benchmark for that level in the previous year; and

- c. the TEO can demonstrate that the course is in some way unique or special, for example, there are no or very few similar courses to compare fees with; and
  - d. the course is aligned to Government priorities as set out in the Tertiary Education Strategy.
85. The TEC must only grant an exception if it is satisfied that the TEO meets all of the above criteria.

## APPENDIX 1: CALCULATION OF SAC FUNDING

**Table 1: Course Classification Prescription**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| #01   | Agriculture; Horticulture   |
| #02   | Architecture; Quantity Surveying  |
| #03   | Arts; Advanced Studies for Teachers; Health Therapies; Humanities; Languages; Social Sciences |
| #03.1 | Osteopathy; Acupuncture   |
| #04   | Business; Accountancy; Office Systems/Secretarial; Management                                 |
| #05.2 | General Education   |
| #06   | Computer Science  |
| #07   | Dentistry   |
| #11   | Engineering; Technology   |
| #11.1 | Priority Engineering  |
| #11.2 | Pilot Training  |
| #12   | Fine Arts; Design   |
| #13   | Health Sciences (excluding classifications #07, #15, and #17)                                 |
| #13.1 | Optometry   |
| #14   | Law   |
| #15   | Medicine (excluding intermediate/first year)  |
| #16   | Music and Performing Arts   |
| #17   | Health Related Professions  |
| #17.3 | Dental Therapy  |
| #18   | Science   |
| #19.1 | Teaching: Early Childhood Education   |
| #19.2 | Teaching: Primary   |
| #20   | Teaching: Secondary   |
| #21   | Trades 1  |
| #22   | Trades 2  |
| #22.1 | Vocational Training for Industry  |
| #23   | Veterinary Science  |
| #23.3 | Veterinary Science Undergraduate (Years 3, 4 & 5)   |
| #24   | Nursing   |
| #25   | Medical Imaging   |
| #27   | Midwifery (3 year)  |
| #28   | Occupational Therapy  |
| #29   | Physiotherapy   |
| #30   | Medical Radiation Therapy   |
| #31   | Pharmacy Professionals  |
| #32   | Speech Language Therapy   |
| #33   | Medical Laboratory Science  |
| #34   | Clinical Psychology   |
| #35   | Audiology   |
| #36   | Dietetics   |
| #37   | Medicine Undergraduate (Years 4, 5 & 6)   |
| #38   | Foreign-Going Nautical  |
| #39   | Specialist Large Animal Science   |



**Table 2: Funding categories: alphabetic code**

| Category (alphabetic) | Relevant discipline and course classification  |
|-----------------------|--|
| A                     | Arts [#03], Social Sciences [#03], General Education [#5.2], Vocational Training for Industry [#22.1]  |
| B                     | Architecture (non-degree) [#02], Computer Science [#06], Fine Arts [#12], Design [#12], Music and Performing Arts [#16], Health Related Professions [#17], Vocational Training for Industry [#22.1], Medical Imaging [#25], Occupational Therapy [#28]             |
| C                     | Architecture (degree) [#02], Engineering [#11], Technology [#11], Health Sciences [#13], Vocational Training for Industry [#22.1], Midwifery (3 year) [#27], Physiotherapy [#29], Speech Language Therapy [#32], Medical Laboratory Science [#33], Audiology [#35] |
| G                     | Dentistry (postgraduate only) [#7], Medicine (postgraduate only) [#15]   |
| H                     | Agriculture (degree) [#01], Horticulture (degree) [#01]<br>Specialist Large Animal Science [#39]   |
| I                     | Teaching [#19.1, #19.2, #20]   |
| J                     | Business [#04], Accountancy [#04], Law [#14], Vocational Training for Industry [#22.1]   |
| L                     | Agriculture (non degree) [#01], Horticulture (non degree) [#01], Osteopathy [#03.1], Acupuncture [#03.1], Vocational Training for Industry [#22.1], Nursing [#24],   |
| M                     | Pilot Training [#11.2], Optometry [#13.1], Dental Therapy [#17.3], Pharmacy [#31]  |
| N                     | Priority Engineering [#11.1], Dietetics [#36]  |
| O                     | Medical Radiation Therapy [#30]  |
| P                     | Trades 2 [#22], Vocational Training for Industry [#22.1]   |
| Q                     | Veterinary Science [#23], Veterinary Science (years 3–5) [#23.3]   |
| R                     | Dentistry undergraduate (years 2-5 ) [#07]   |
| S                     | Foreign-Going Nautical [#38]   |
| T                     | Medicine undergraduate (years 2-3 ) [#15]  |
| U                     | Medicine undergraduate (years 4–6) [#37]   |
| V                     | Science [#18], Clinical Psychology [#34]   |

**Table 3: Funding categories: numeric code**

| Category (numeric) | Classification by level and content of study   |
|--------------------|--|
| 1                  | Courses designed for non-degree qualifications with no research requirement, including certificates and diplomas   |
| 2                  | Courses designed for undergraduate degree qualifications, including bachelors degrees, graduate certificates and diplomas  |
| 3                  | Courses designed for taught postgraduate qualifications, including postgraduate certificates and diplomas, bachelors degrees with honours, and taught masters papers |
| 4                  | Research-based postgraduate qualifications, including masters' theses/dissertations of 1.0 EFTS or more for masters and doctoral study                               |

**Table 4: Funding rates**

|          | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>A</b> | \$6,408  | \$6,408  | \$8,088  | \$8,554  |
| <b>B</b> | \$9,803  | \$9,803  | \$12,463 | \$13,399 |
| <b>C</b> | \$11,785 | \$11,785 | \$14,979 | \$16,120 |
| <b>G</b> |          |          | \$27,322 | \$27,322 |
| <b>H</b> |          | \$21,252 | \$26,802 | \$28,121 |
| <b>I</b> | \$9,732  | \$9,732  | \$12,211 | \$12,676 |
| <b>J</b> | \$6,408  | \$6,408  | \$8,088  | \$8,554  |
| <b>L</b> | \$11,015 | \$11,015 | \$13,888 | \$14,822 |
| <b>M</b> | \$14,028 | \$15,984 | \$20,070 | \$21,373 |
| <b>N</b> | \$13,076 | \$13,076 | \$16,449 | \$17,704 |
| <b>O</b> |          | \$18,907 |          |          |
| <b>P</b> | \$10,589 |          |          |          |
| <b>Q</b> |          | \$28,749 | \$28,749 | \$28,749 |
| <b>R</b> |          | \$53,997 |          |          |
| <b>S</b> | \$19,501 |          |          |          |
| <b>T</b> |          | \$44,524 |          |          |
| <b>U</b> |          | \$44,524 |          |          |
| <b>V</b> | \$11,461 | \$14,007 | \$17,657 | \$18,845 |