Commonwealth of Australia

Higher Education Support Act 2003

OTHER GRANTS GUIDELINES (EDUCATION) 2012

Amendments to Guidelines made pursuant to section 238-10 of the Higher Education Support Act 2003

I, Chris Evans, Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Science and Research, pursuant to section 238-10 of the Higher Education Support Act 2003 (the Act), make the attached Amendment No. 1 to the Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012 which provide for matters under Part 2-3 of the Act.

Dated this 24th day of October 2012.

Signed

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CHRIS EVANS
Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Science and Research
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Higher Education Support Act 2003

Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012

Amendment No. 1

1 CITATION

This legislative instrument may be cited as Amendment No. 1 to the Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012.

2 AUTHORITY

This legislative instrument is made under section 238-10 of the Higher Education Support Act 2003 (the Act).

3 DATE OF EFFECT

This legislative instrument will come into effect on the day after it is registered on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments.

4 AMENDMENT

This legislative instrument amends the Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012 which were registered on 13 February 2012 and commenced on 14 February 2012 (see F2012L00281).

PURPOSE

The purpose of this legislative instrument is to:

a) amend Chapter 7 of the Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012 to include the Enhancing the Training of Mathematics and Science Teachers Program as a specified program for the purposes of subsection 41-15(1) of the Act; and

b) insert a new Chapter 7B to the Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012 to include the Australian Maths and Science Partnerships Program as a specified program for the purposes of subsection 41-15(1) of the Act.
ITEM 1

Amend Chapter 7 of the Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012 by inserting the following words after clause 7.105.5:

ENHANCING THE TRAINING OF MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE TEACHERS PROGRAM (ETMST Program)

7.110 Purpose

7.110.1 The purpose of this section is to establish ETMST Program as a program for the purposes of subsection 41-15(1) of the Act for the purpose of assuring and enhancing the quality of Australia’s higher education sector in accordance with item 11(a) of the table in subsection 41-10(1) of the Act and to specify matters listed in subsection 41-15(2) of the Act.

7.115 Program objectives

7.115.1 The objective of the ETMST Program is to drive a major improvement in the quality of mathematics and science teachers by supporting new teacher training programs in which faculties, schools or departments of science, mathematics and education:

a) collaborate on course design and delivery; and

b) focus on combining content and pedagogy so that mathematics and science are taught as dynamic, forward-looking, and collaborative human endeavours.

7.120 Eligibility

7.120.1 Institutions listed in Table A and Table B of the Higher Education Support Act 2003 and other approved higher education providers allocated places under the Commonwealth Grants Scheme, are eligible to apply for grants under this Program.

7.125 Total ETMST Program allocation

7.125.1 In this chapter, the total amount of funds available for allocation under the ETMST Program in any given year is referred to as the “ETMST Allocation”.

7.125.5 The ETMST Allocation available to eligible higher education providers will be $12,408,620 for the period 2014 – 2016.

7.125.10 Indexation of the ETMST Allocation shall be calculated in accordance with the method set out in Part 5-6, Division 198 of the Act.

7.130 Allocation of ETMST Program Funding

7.130.1 Grants will be subject to the Minister’s approval (under section 41-20 of the Act), and the Minister’s determination in writing of:

a) the amount of the grant (under paragraph 41-30(b) of the Act); and

b) any conditions on which the grant is made (under subparagraph 41-25(b)(i) of the Act), in addition to the condition specified in subparagraph 41-25(b)(ii) of the Act.
ITEM 2

Insert a new Chapter 7B after Chapter 7 of the *Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012* that provides:

CHAPTER 7B  GRANTS TO FOSTER AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPORTANCE OF, OR PROMOTE RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP IN, SCIENCE, SOCIAL SCIENCE OR THE HUMANITIES IN AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN MATHS AND SCIENCE PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (AMSPP)

7B.1  Purpose
7B.1.1  The purpose of this section is to establish AMSPP as a program for the purposes of subsection 41-15(1) of the Act for the purpose of fostering an understanding of the importance of, and promoting research and scholarship in, science, social science and the humanities in Australia, in accordance with item 11(b) of the table in subsection 41-10(1) of the Act and to specify matters listed in subsection 41-15(2) of the Act.

7B.5  Program objectives
7B.5.1  The AMSPP provides funding to support innovative partnerships between universities, schools and other organisations to:
   a)  improve secondary students’ engagement in maths and science; and
   b)  increase the number of students participating in mathematics and science undergraduate courses.

7B.10  Eligibility
7B.10.1  The higher education providers eligible to receive funding under the AMSPP are specified at item 11(b) of the table at Section 41-10(1) of the Act, and Table B providers as listed at Section 16-20 of the Act.

7B.15  Total Program allocation
7B.15.1  In this chapter, the total amount of funds available for allocation under the AMSPP in any given year is referred to as the “AMSPP Allocation”.

7B.15.5  The AMSPP Allocation available to eligible higher education providers will be $22.3m for the period 2013 – 2016.

7B.15.10  Indexation of the AMSPP Allocation shall be calculated in accordance with the method set out in Part 5-6, Division 198 of the Act.

7B.20  Distribution of the Funds
7B.20.1  Grants will be subject to the Minister’s approval (under section 41-20 of the Act), and the Minister’s determination in writing of:
   a)  the amount of the grant (under paragraph 41-30(b) of the Act); and
   b)  any conditions on which the grant is made (under subparagraph 41-25(b)(i) of the Act), in addition to the condition specified in subparagraph 41-25(b)(ii) of the Act.