QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1106

asked on 25 October 2022

MR B MICKELBERG ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS AND MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (HON D FARMER) —

QUESTION:

With reference to the Priority Skills List—

Will the Minister identify a qualification, or set of qualifications, that has been added to the Priority Skills List over the last three years in response to skilled worker shortages that exist in many industry sectors across Queensland?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government provides accessible and affordable vocational education and training (VET) programs that support individuals to participate in training and develop skills that lead to sustainable employment. VET investment targets key industry areas to build the collective capacity to meet workforce needs.

The Priority Skills List (PSL) identifies qualifications and skill sets that attract a government subsidy through Queensland Government's investment in VET. Qualifications on the PSL, up to certificate III, are subsidised through the Certificate 3 Guarantee, and qualifications at certificate IV and above, plus priority skill sets, are subsidised under the Higher Level Skills program.

Qualifications and skill sets covering a range of industries, such as construction, community services, information technology and manufacturing, have been added to the PSL over the last three years in response to industry demand.

A full list of qualifications added to the Priority Skills list for the last three years is at **Attachment A.**

As at 24 November 2022, there are currently 373 qualifications and 44 skills sets on the PSL. These qualifications and skill sets on the PSL are identified and validated on an ongoing basis through consultation with industry as those which deliver the current and future skills needed by industry and will lead to employment.

The PSL is updated regularly throughout the year, to reflect updates to training packages, new priorities recommended by industry, changes to eligibility requirements, or to remove inactive pathways.

An industry proposal can be submitted to the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training by employers or industry bodies with required evidence to request funding of nationally recognised qualifications or skill sets or request a change

to the government priority of currently funded training products. Proposals are also accepted from TAFE Queensland and CQUniversity.

These are in addition to the extensive list of subsidised qualifications and skill sets already available to Queensland students and employers to support industry skills needs.

Attachment A - New Qualification Funding for last three years

Priority Skills List

Financial Year	Industry Training Group	Qualification Code	Qualification Description
2022 -23			
	Community Services - Childcare	10983NAT	Certificate III in Outside School Hours Care
2021-22			
	Construction - General	CPC40121	Certificate IV in Residential Drafting
	Construction - General	11054NAT	Certificate II in Plumbing Services
	Food Processing - Meat	AMPSS00056	Meat Processing New Supervisor Skill Set
	Process Manufacturing	10935NAT	Certificate II in Autonomous Technologies
	Transport & Distribution - Aviation	AVI20118	Certificate II in Transport Security Protection
	Transport & Distribution - Aviation	AVISS00079	3D Computed Tomography (CT) X-ray Scanning Skill Set
2020-21			
	Food Processing - Meat	AMPSS00001	Animal Welfare Officer Skill Set
	Utilities - Electrotechnology	UEESS00100	Sustainable - Designer of Grid Connected Photovoltaic Systems (Replaced with UEESS00159 Sustainable - Designer of Grid Connected Photovoltaic Systems Skill Set)
2019-20			
	Arts & Entertainment - Creative	CUA50915	Diploma of Photography and Photo Imaging (Replaced with CUA50920 Diploma of Photography and Digital Imaging)
	Arts & Entertainment - Entertainment	CUA51015	Diploma of Screen and Media (Replaced with CUA51020 Diploma of Screen and Media)

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Arts & Ente	ertainment - ent	CUA50815	Diploma of Music Industry (Replaced with CUA50820 Diploma of Music)
Arts & Ente Graphic	rtainment -	CUA50715	Diploma of Graphic Design (Replaced with CUA50720 Diploma of Graphic Design)
Business -	General	BSB42618	Certificate IV in New Small Business (Replaced with BSB40320 Certificate IV in Entrepreneurship and New Business)
Communic Informatio	ations – n Technology	ICT50215	Diploma of Digital and Interactive Games (Replaced with ICT50220 Diploma of Information Technology)
Communic Informatio	ations – n Technology	ICT50318	Diploma of Information Technology Systems Administration (Replaced with ICT50220 Diploma of Information Technology)
Communic Informatio	ations – n Technology	ICT50615	Diploma of Website Development (Replaced with ICT50220 Diploma of Information Technology)
Communit General	Services -	CHCSS00097	Individual Support - Ageing Skill Set
Communit General	Services -	CHCSS00098	Individual Support - Disability Skill Set
Construction	on - General	CPP50911	Diploma of Building Design
Furnishing	- General	MSF50218	Diploma of Interior Design
Health		HLT57915	Diploma of Anaesthetic Technology (Replaced with HLT57921 Diploma of Anaesthetic Technology and Practice)
Laboratory General	Operations -	MSL50118	Diploma of Laboratory Technology
Textile, Clo Footwear -	_	MST50116	Diploma of Applied Fashion Design and Merchandising (Replaced with MST50119 Diploma of Applied Fashion Design and Merchandising)
Retail – Pe	sonal Services	SHB50115	Diploma of Beauty Therapy (Replaced by SHB50120 Diploma of Beauty Therapy)

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Trans	port & Distribution ine	MARSS00008	Shipboard Safety Skill Set
Utilitie Electro	ies - rotechnology	UEE43211	Certificate IV in Industrial Automation and Control (Replaced with UEE43220 Certificate IV in Industrial Automation and Control)