

# TEACHING COUNCIL

NEW ZEALAND | Matatū Aotearoa

21 December 2018

Tēnā Koe Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 10 December 2018 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You asked:

- *how many Overseas Trained teachers have been attested against the PTC's and given Full Registration status and how long it generally takes to have that attestation done;*
- *if there are any that have received Full Registration prior to starting their mahi in Aotearoa or have achieved that within 6 months of starting mahi; and*
- *about the process that OTT's are required to complete in order to meet Full Registration.*

In answer to your first and second questions, I have extracted data from 29 October 2010 to the present day. Prior to this date, overseas applicants applied using the same form as New Zealand trained teachers, and we are unable to adequately distinguish between the two. The details requested are as follows:

- Since 29/10/2010, the number of teachers who have received a Practising Certificate (PC) following an overseas application is 4,797.
- Of those teachers, 421 were granted a Full PC as their first PC (9%).
  - A further 7 received a Full PC within 6 months. All of these started with a Subject To Confirmation (STC) certificate.
- 488 teachers received an STC as their first PC (including the 7 above) (10%).
- The remaining 3,888 teachers received a Provisional PC (81%).
  - 1,615 of these teachers still hold their original Provisional PC (i.e. it has not expired, and they have not moved to Full).

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- There were 1,221 teachers who initially had a Provisional or STC certificate and went on to get a Full certificate.
- The average time for those 1,221 teachers to get a Full certificate was 2.6 years.
  - 5% managed to get Full registration within 1 year (57/1,221)
  - 31% took between 1 and 2 years to move to Full (378/1,221)
  - 37% took between 2 and 3 years to move to Full (450/1,221)
  - 28% too longer than 3 years to move to Full (336/1,221)

The process that overseas trained teachers must follow in order to attain Full certification is the same as that for a New Zealand trained teacher and these details can be found on our website at: [www.educationcouncil.org.nz](http://www.educationcouncil.org.nz).

I hope that this information is sufficient for your purposes. However, you have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman who can be contacted by writing to: The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143, or emailing: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz). A complaint to the Ombudsman can also be made online at <http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/make-a-complaint/make-a-complaint-now>

Nāku noa, nā



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