

PRESS RELEASE

The Board of the Samoa Qualifications Authority at its meeting in September approved the Registration of six Providers of post school education and training services. These are:

1. Tesese Institute of Administrative Studies at Lalovaea
2. Don Bosco Technical Centre at Alafua
3. Pacific Mission Training Centre at Fugalei
4. Harvest Bible College of the Assemblies of God at Lotopā
5. Vailima Theological College of the Congregational Church of Jesus in Samoa at Vailima
6. Leulumoega School of Fine Arts of the Congregational Christian Church of Samoa at Leulumoega Fou

These six Institutions have completed all requirements for registration of their institutions with the Samoa Qualifications Authority.

The registration of a provider of post school education and training services with SQA is the result of the organization having clearly indicated its commitment to the establishment and maintenance of high standards in its management and governance; education and training goals, purpose and objectives; having developed an internal quality management system in the design, delivery and evaluation of its programmes as well as having adequate and appropriate resources to support all the programmes it offers.

SQA hopes that over the next 12 to 18 months, all providers of post school and education in Samoa will be registered with them.

In the medium term, providers will have quality management systems developed and operating effectively in their institutions to guarantee to their stakeholders that the training and resulting qualifications from their services are credible and accepted nationally and internationally. This will greatly facilitate the portability of learning and enhances the opportunities for Samoans to find work locally as well as in other countries.