

DISTRIBUTION OF ADDITIONAL LICENCE FEES FROM UNIVERSITIES FOR 2019 TO 2022 (MARCH 2023)

Background

In February 2023, Universities Australia and Copyright Agency reached a settlement agreement regarding copyright licence fees payable by the sector from 2023 to 2026, and additional licence fees payable for 2019 to 2022.

We are distributing the additional licence fees for 2019 to 2022 in March 2023.

We will be distributing the licence fees for January to June 2023 in June 2023.

Additional licence fees for 2019 to 2022: distribution amount

The net amount for distribution is as follows:

Gross amount	\$58.35m
Deduction for anticipated future operating costs (13.5%)	\$7.89m
Deduction for Cultural Fund (1.5%)	\$0.88m
Amount for distribution	\$49.58

The deduction for anticipated operating costs is a ‘blended’ deduction based on the deductions that applied in each of the licence periods that the additional licence fees are for (from 2019 to 2022).

Data for distribution

The dataset for distribution is based on the titles in the distributions of the part-payments of licence fees by the university sector from 2019 to 2022.

Distribution pools

For	%	Distributed with fees from other sources	when
Rightsholders for the publications in the dataset, including writers and illustrators with ‘registered’ book shares	96.6%	No	March 2023
Annual Artists’ Distribution	1.5%	Yes	June 2023
Annual Writers’ Distribution	1.9%	Yes	June 2023

The amounts set aside for the Annual Artists’ Distribution and the Annual Writers’ Distribution are ‘blended’ percentages based on the percentages set aside in each of the eight distributions of the licence fees initially received for distribution for 2019 to 2022.