

HIGHER EDUCATION

The AEU believes that higher education plays a vital role in our community and that there should be equitable access for all students who choose to gain a tertiary qualification.

To achieve this the AEU calls upon the Federal Government to implement and fund policies which ensure that:

1. The academic independence of the sector is acknowledged and protected.
2. The sector is adequately resourced.
3. Any reviews undertaken of the higher education sector properly consult with and involve all relevant stakeholders. Where appropriate the Federal AEU should involve itself in such reviews and take all necessary steps to have its views heard and actioned upon.
4. Sufficient numbers of tertiary entrance places are available for Australian students.
5. Full fee paying places do not disadvantage non full fee paying fee students.
6. Any Higher Education Contribution Scheme does not stop otherwise qualified students from being able to enrol for a tertiary qualification.