TEQSA’s assessment process ensures successful applicants have the necessary capacity and capability to deliver a high quality education experience. Thorough and careful consideration is given to all elements of an application.

TEQSA ensures the protection of student interests and the reputation of Australia’s higher education sector through a proportionate, risk-reflective approach to quality assurance that supports diversity, innovation and excellence, in accordance with the Higher Education Standards Framework (Threshold Standards) 2015.

Focus areas

- Application is in the approved form and evidence is clearly labelled.
- Evidence of a formally constituted and accountable governing body that is exercising competent governance oversight of all of its proposed higher education operations.
- The Higher Education Standards are met at the time of application.
- Ready to commence delivery, with the necessary processes and resources in place to be able to start delivering quality higher education within a reasonable timeframe after obtaining registration.
- Have sufficient financial resources to remain financially viable during the length of the registration and apply resources to sustain the quality of the higher education offering.
- Have a cohesive set of policies and procedures that cover all areas of quality assurance and are capable of being implemented.
- Has an appropriate staffing profile for each course of study with sufficient experience to provide academic oversight and meet the needs of students.
- Course development and approved processes that have been reviewed, scrutinised and implemented.
- Academic staff are involved in scholarly activities that inform teaching and learning.
- All key personnel in the organisation are fit and proper persons and do not have a history that would prevent them from being involved with a higher education operation.

For further information visit: teqsa.gov.au
Registration enquiries email: new.registration.enquiries@teqsa.gov.au
To grant registration, TEQSA must be satisfied the applicant meets the Threshold Standards.

Guidance notes on our website are a useful tool for interpreting the standards (teqsa.gov.au/guidance-notes).

All supporting information and evidence must be submitted in full at the time of application.

All decisions (successful and unsuccessful) are published but applicants may withdraw the application prior to a decision being made.