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TAFE NSW Institutes

Australia's largest public provider of
vocational education and training

Quality, excellence and safety



Message from David Riordan – Chief Executive Officer, DET International



Recent media reports in Sydney and Melbourne regarding the safety of international students and the quality of education and training in Australia have been disturbing for students, parents and the community. These media reports are linked to a number of rogue agents and private providers, not TAFE NSW Institutes.

TAFE NSW is proud of its reputation as a provider of quality educational programs and support services to international students. **TAFE NSW Institutes are government owned and operated by the New South Wales Department of Education and Training (DET).**

For more than 100 years, TAFE NSW has been a leading public provider of vocational training in Australia. Currently

there are over 400,000 local and international students enrolled at 120 campuses across New South Wales.

Our courses are developed in consultation with national Industry Skills Councils, certified by the Australian government and developed to meet rigorous teaching and assessment standards. Specialist teaching facilities and simulated workplaces on TAFE NSW campuses provide practical experience and, with small classes, students learn in a highly interactive way with close teacher supervision. TAFE NSW teachers have a minimum 5-years' industry experience and hold valid teaching qualifications.

Currently, a high priority strategy for TAFE NSW is the NSW Ministerial Taskforce on International Education, established by the NSW Minister for Education and Training.

This initiative looks at all aspects of international education in New South Wales including current issues of exploitation by rogue agents and private providers. It is developing proactive strategies to improve the overall international student experience.

TAFE NSW Institutes have an impressive track record with international students. Our graduates have skills, knowledge and expertise which equips them for a globally competitive labour market.

International Student Coordinators at TAFE NSW colleges carefully follow the academic progress and welfare of each student. **Study skills, tutorials and career advice** is provided throughout the course and students have access to TAFE's well-equipped, **modern multimedia libraries**. TAFE NSW students can also use the **job placement services** to find part-time work with reputable employers.

You can be assured **TAFE NSW provides excellent tuition and support services** to international students at all our colleges. Our primary focus is education and training and our aim is for all students to achieve their best.

Top 10 reasons to study at a TAFE NSW Institute

1. Location, location, location

Whether you love a busy city lifestyle or enjoy a more relaxed, country environment, TAFE NSW has a modern campus location to suit you.

2. Practical training and quality education

TAFE NSW courses are certified by the Australian Government within the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) and meet international ISO 9001 requirements.

3. Learn from the experts

Our teachers are highly qualified, experienced industry and education professionals.

4. Diploma-to-Degree fast track to uni

Graduates of Diploma-to-Degree courses receive both the TAFE NSW Diploma and a Bachelor Degree.

5. Courses for skilled occupations

In 2009-2010 many TAFE NSW programs are high-demand skilled occupation courses.

6. Recognition of prior learning (RPL)

TAFE NSW will assess your previous studies towards the course you wish to complete at TAFE.

7. International recognition

Employers in Australia and overseas favour TAFE NSW qualifications.

8. Our strength is your distinct advantage

TAFE NSW has been a leading public vocational education and training provider in Australia for more than 100 years.

9. We're here to help

Airport pick-ups, homestays, orientation sessions and international student coordinators are just some of the services we offer.

10. Make friends for a lifetime

You will build an international network as you study with Australian students and people from all around the world.



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For more information about TAFE NSW courses for international students go to www.studyintafe.edu.au

Testimonials

What our students say...

Hye Jin Kim, Korea

Both my teachers and my classmates helped me a lot. Because English is my second language I didn't always understand everything straight away. All my teachers are really professional. They have great skills and knowledge - they always encouraged me and gave me direction for improvement. They helped me become a disciplined creator and designer. Students are able to ask so many questions and the teachers are always ready to answer them.

My highlights would have to include growing as a person and, of course, winning the Textile Institute National Awards competition and its trip to Paris for a month which will be amazing.



Tatiana Vargas, Brazil

I had finished my third year at university in Brazil and before starting my final year, I really wanted to have an experience overseas. I chose TAFE NSW because it offers a six-month course in Children's Services and the units will complement my studies in Brazil. Also the course offers the possibility to be very hands-on and very interactive.

The campus is amazing. Students can access a library, computer rooms with internet access and meeting rooms. I would absolutely recommend TAFE NSW to other students because of the teachers, environment and great facilities. I believe this is the experience of a lifetime.



Anmol Sharma, India

I'm studying a Diploma-to-Degree in IT at Albury and Wagga Wagga, which means I'm enrolled at TAFE NSW and university at the same time and will complete both studies in 3 years.

My campus has very good facilities, it has all the latest computers, free internet access, hardware, software and network laboratories and the opportunity to be really hands-on with computing equipment.

The teachers' skills are world class but the thing I like best is the way they interact with students, they are very friendly and I can ask anything without hesitation.



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