

Higher Education Student Selection and Admissions Policy

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1. Introduction

TAFE NSW Higher Education is committed to admissions processes that are efficient, equitable, reliable and transparent.

2. Purpose

This policy governs the processes in relation to student selection and admission into TAFE NSW Higher Education courses and accords with the requirements of the Higher Education Standards Framework 2021 (the Threshold Standards).

3. Scope

This policy applies to all applicants for entry into TAFE NSW Higher Education courses, and TAFE NSW Higher Education staff involved in admissions processes.

4. Policy

TAFE NSW Higher Education is committed to selection and admissions principles that provide:

- a broad and flexible framework for student admission into TAFE NSW Higher Education courses of study;
- a commitment to maximising student success in academic study;
- an efficient and equitable student admissions process which includes suitable adjustment for applicants who have experienced disadvantage but who demonstrate the potential to succeed; and
- reliability and transparency.

5. Responsibilities

Position	Responsibility
Higher Education Academic Council	The Higher Education Academic Council is the approver of this policy.
Executive Director Course Development and Quality	The Accountable Officer of this policy.
Senior Manager, Higher Education Quality	The Senior Manager Higher Education Quality is the contact for this policy.
Dean of Higher Education	The Dean of Higher Education has overall responsibility for the effective administration and implementation of this policy.
Course Coordinators	Course Coordinators have local responsibility for the effective administration and implementation of this policy.

6. Definitions

Definitions applying to this policy are listed in the associated TAFE NSW Higher Education procedure available on the [TAFE NSW internet](#).

7. Related documents

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following related documents:

- a. [TAFE NSW Higher Education Student Selection and Admissions Procedure](#).

8. Contacts

Accountable Officer	Executive Director Course Development and Quality
Responsible Officer	Senior Manager Higher Education

9. Document information and review

This policy document will be reviewed at least every three years.

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Approval History

No	Effective	Approved by	Amendment
1	28 September 2010	TAFE NSW Higher Education Governing Council	Initial approval of policy statement.
2	5 November 2020	Head of Higher Education Standards	Policy statement updated into new Written Directions format. Minor content changes to reflect current version of related guideline.
3	1 May 2023	Senior Manager, Higher Education Quality, TAFE NSW	Updated reference to current Higher Education Standards Framework 2021.
4	7 December 2023	Chief Product & Quality Officer	Reviewed and updated policy statement.

Note: (17 March 2026) Accountable and Responsible Officer roles have been updated since publication, as part of an automated update associated with recent operating model changes. These updates reflect position title or organisational alignment changes only and will be captured in the version history when the document is next reviewed and published.