

CRICOS Set Up

As you may already be aware, if you intend to offer education or training services to students studying in Australia on student visas, you are required to seek approval from the <u>Australian Skills Quality Authority</u> (ASQA), and comply with the Australian Government legislative requirements for registration on the <u>Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students</u> (CRICOS). Only approved CRICOS providers can enrol overseas students or issue <u>Australian Qualifications Framework</u> (AQF) qualifications and statements of attainment.

To become registered to deliver to overseas students, an organisation needs to have:

- been approved as a Registered Training Organisation (RTO);
- been approved as a higher education provider;
- met the National ELICOS Standards; or
- met the Foundation Program Standards.

An organisation wishing to provide nationally recognised training to international students studying in Australia must be registered as an RTO and have the qualifications or accredited courses it wishes to deliver on its scope of registration. It should be noted that providers can lodge an application for CRICOS approval at the same time as an application for RTO registration.

Generally the period of CRICOS registration is for up to five years, and is based on a provider's risk rating and its period of RTO registration. Applications for initial CRICOS registration must be made on the 'Application for initial CRICOS registration' form.

The application should be read in conjunction with:

- The Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 (ESOS Act);
- Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Regulations 2001;
- The National Code of Practice for Registration Authorities and Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2007 (National Code);
- The National Code of Practice 2007 Explanatory Guide;
- The National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011; and
- National Standards for ELICOS Providers and Courses (ELICOS Standards).

With regards to costs associated specifically with consulting services for CRISCOS registration and set up, this is generally something that can only be quoted once one of our consultants have had an initial conversation to determine the scope of work required.

It should be noted that there are additional fees payable to ASQA for initial, renewal and amendment to an accredited course which can be viewed through the following link <u>ASQA schedule of fees</u>.

If you are interested in Velg Training sourcing you a consultant who is able to assist with CRICOS registration, please do not hesitate to contact our consulting team via the details below.

Kind regards

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