



THE SENATE

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Quality of governance at Australian higher education providers

PUBLIC HEARING
Tuesday 12 August 2025

Committee Room 2S3
Parliament House, Canberra

All submissions listed are from the committee's inquiry in the 47th Parliament.

Time	Witness
9.00 am	National Tertiary Education Union – National Office (Submission 15) Dr Alison Barnes, National President Dr Terri MacDonald, Director, Public Policy & Strategic Research Mr Kieran McCarron, Policy and Research Officer National Tertiary Education Union – ACT Division Dr Lachlan Clohesy, Division Secretary
10.00 am	Group of Eight (Submission 49) Ms Vicki Thomson, Chief Executive Universities Australia (Submission 13) Mr Luke Sheehy, Chief Executive Officer
10.45 am	Break
11.00 am	Australian National University Students' Association Mr Will Burfoot, President National Union of Students (Submission 69) Ms Ashlyn Horton, National President
11.45 am	Dr Liz Allen Dr Francis Markham Mr Millan Pintos-Lopez Professor Peter Tregear OAM (via videoconference) (Submission 191)
12.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm	Australian National University (Submission 107) Mr Jonathan Churchill, Chief Operating Officer Mr Michael Lonergan, Chief Financial Officer Ms Kate Witenden, Chief People Officer
2.30 pm	Break

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2.45 pm	<p>Department of Education (Submission 37) Mr Ben Rimmer, Deputy Secretary, Higher Education, Research and International Ms Jessica Mohr, First Assistant Secretary, Policy, Payments and Data Division Ms Felicity Ryan, Assistant Secretary, Higher Education Policy and Engagement Branch</p> <p>Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman (Submission 16) Ms Anna Booth, Fair Work Ombudsman Ms Tiina Debevc, Executive Director, Operations</p> <p>Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (Submission 17) Professor Kerri-Lee Krause, Chief Commissioner Dr Mary Russell, Chief Executive Officer Ms Jen Bahen, Executive Director, Regulatory Operations</p>
4.00 pm	<i>Adjournment</i>