

Dear Sir/Madam

I read the article "International students welcome in Australia" published on the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship website by migration minister Mr Evans and as one of international students I want to speak up for ourselves.

I understand the education industry is the 3rd largest industry in Australia thus of course Evans welcome us to study here. However, has he ever thought about why so many international students chose Australia over other countries despite Australia's certification is useless in the rest of the world? Obviously the answer is the link between education and migration program that Australia provides. As an international student, I can assure you the motive that most of (more than 80%) int. students come here is to get permanent residency of Australia. Now you are removing this linkage and still want people to come here and bring you huge profit? well that's a beautiful wishing of his. Int students are human, dont treat us like cash cows. We are just a wad of bank notes to him!

Anyway, I just want to tell him that "thank you and goodbye!" Australia is NOT competitive AT ALL in education industry without the bonus of Australian permanent residency. Australian Dollar is No much difference than US dollar now, we'd rather pay a few more money for MUCH BETTER education! For the world's best education, we'd rather go to Britain and the USA instead of spending huge amount of money and get a certification that is NOT valuable. We'd like to say to Mr Evans that He is NOT welcome, and we will stop coming! so he can save his words to himself and shut up!

Best regards

An international student who is going to seek education in the USA