International Students - Full Fee Paying

Do Schools need to comply?

Yes, if you are providing or offering to provide a course to overseas students.

Conditions of compliance:

Under the Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 (Cth), if you are providing a course or offering to provide a course to overseas students on a student visa, you are required to be CRICOS registered to provide that particular course in that particular State or to do so under an arrangement that you have with a registered provider for that State.

If you have to comply, what do you have to do?

Apply to the Education and Early Childhood Services Registration and Standards Board of SA for approval to enrol full fee paying overseas students by completing the application form and supplying the required documentation and paying the required fee. Schools must maintain compliance with the ESOS Legislative framework.

Enrolled international students will be required to hold the appropriate visa.

Note: you do not need to be CRICOS registered to enrol a dependent of an overseas student on a student visa. However, they may not be eligible for recurrent funding.

What are the consequences if you don’t comply?

You may be in breach of the Education for Overseas Students Act 2000 (Cth). This may affect your school’s registration and could lead to prosecution and imprisonment under the Education for Overseas Students Act.

See also:

International Students - High School Student Exchange Programs

Useful links:

Australian Government – ESOS Legislative Framework
Independent Schools Council of Australia - ESOS Information
Education and Early Childhood Services Registration and Standards Board of SA
Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 (Cth)
Department of Immigration and Border Protection - Information for education providers