



# STATEMENT OF VET TUITION ASSURANCE



## INTRODUCTION

Under the provisions of the Higher Education Support Act 2003, Royal Queensland Aero Club Ltd (trading as the Airline Academy of Australia) ABN: 38 009 660 806 / ACN: 009 660 806 must comply with the VET Tuition Assurance requirements. This is to protect VET students in the event that the Airline Academy of Australia (the Academy) ceases to provide a VET course of study in which a VET student is enrolled. The meaning of 'ceasing to provide a VET course of study' is set out in the VET Guidelines. A copy of this is available from: <https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2015L00430>

## WHAT IS VET TUITION ASSURANCE?

In the event that the Academy ceases to provide a VET course of study in which a VET student is enrolled the VET student is entitled to a choice of:

- a) an offer of a place in a similar VET course of study with a Second Provider without any requirement to pay the Second Provider any VET tuition fee for any replacement VET units (this is known as the "VET Course Assurance Option");

**OR**

- b) a refund of their up-front VET tuition fee payments and/or a re-crediting of any FEE-HELP balance for any VET unit of study that the VET student was enrolled or commences but does not complete because the Academy ceases to provide the VET course of study of which the unit forms part (this is known as the "VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option")

## HOW HAS THE ACADEMY MET THE TUITION ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS?

The Academy has met the VET tuition assurance requirements, as specified in the VET Guidelines, through current membership of the Australian Council for Private Education and Training Australian Student Tuition Assurance scheme (the Scheme)

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If the Airline Academy of Australia ceases to provide a VET course of study, the Australian Council for Private Education and Training Australian Student Tuition Scheme VET Tuition Assurance Administrator (the VET TA Administrator) will send a VET student enrolled in the VET course of study a written VET Tuition Assurance Offer (the Offer) advising the VET student of the options available under the VET tuition assurance requirements. The Offer will include directions that the VET student must follow in order to notify the VET TA Administrator of the choice they have made for each affected VET unit. The VET TA Administrator will provide this Offer within twenty Business Days after it knows, or should know by reasonable enquiries that the Academy has ceased to provide the VET course of study.



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For the purposes of VET FEE-HELP, all eligible courses offered by the Academy in accordance with the course requirements of clause 45 of Schedule 1A to the Act are covered by the Scheme as part of its membership of the Scheme.

### **WHAT ARE THE TWO TUITION ASSURANCE OPTIONS FOR VET STUDENTS?**

A VET student may choose either:

#### **The VET Course Assurance Option-**

Under the VET course assurance option, a VET student will be offered a place in a similar VET course of study by the VET TA Administrator. If the VET student accepts this option, the VET TA Administrator will make all necessary arrangements to ensure a VET student is able to enrol with the Second Provider in the similar VET course of study. This offered VET course will lead to the same or a comparable qualification without any requirement on the part of the VET student to pay the Second Provider any VET tuition fee for any replacement VET units (that is, units that the VET student had commenced but not completed because the VET course ceased to be offered). A VET student will receive full credit from the Second Provider for any VET units of study successfully completed at the Airline Academy of Australia.

The Second Provider nominated by the VET TA Administrator may have different VET tuition fees to the fees the VET student would have paid for VET units of study which were part of the VET course of study the Academy ceased to provide but which the VET student had not yet started studying.

A VET student is not obliged to enrol in a VET course of study with a Second Provider offered by the VET TA Administrator under the VET Course Assurance Option. However, if he/she enrolls with any other VET provider there is no obligation on that VET provider to offer full credit transfer for the VET units of study completed with the Academy or to offer replacement VET unit/s free of charge.

**OR**

#### **The VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option-**

Under the VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option, the VET TA Administrator undertakes to pay the VET student the total of any up-front VET payments already paid by the VET student for any VET units of study the VET student has commenced but not completed because the VET course ceased to be offered. VET students selecting this option will also have their FEE-HELP balance re-credited for the uncompleted VET units.

### **PUBLICATION**

This Statement of VET Tuition Assurance will be made public to VET students on the Airline Academy of Australia's website [www.airlineacademy.com.au](http://www.airlineacademy.com.au). The Airline Academy of Australia will also advise VET students on how to access the Statement of VET Tuition Assurance as part of their enrolment information.