

## Guidelines on Genuine Entry and Genuine Temporary Entry Status

**These Guidelines are to be read in conjunction with the University's Selection and Entry to [Programs Policy A-18](#).**

In December 2010, the Australian Government appointed the Hon Michael Knight to conduct a review of the student visa program. Mr Knight produced his report in March 2011. The Department Home Affairs (HA) introduced the Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) requirement on 5 November 2011 to help improve the integrity of the student visa program. The GTE requirements in conjunction with the already existing genuine student requirement address whether the individual circumstances of a student indicate that their main aim is for a temporary stay in Australia and to obtain a successful education outcome.

### 1. Background to Genuine Entry and Genuine Temporary Entry Status

In order to obtain a student visa applicants will need to be both GTE and a genuine student. The University needs to ensure that an applicant is GTE prior to the applicant applying for a student visa. Please see [HA's website](#) for more information regarding the GTE requirement.

### 2. Determining GTE

- 2.1 In order to determine whether an applicant is GTE the applicant *may* be required to complete an assessment.
- 2.2 Any documentation submitted as part of the assessment process must be submitted in English, be no more than 6 months old and must be original certified documents.
- 2.3 If the University is satisfied that the applicant is GTE, the GTE assessment will remain valid for 2 years and in the event that the applicant defers their start date at the University, they will not be required to undergo a further assessment (subject to clauses 2.4 and 3 below).
- 2.4 In the event that the University determines that the applicant is GTE and the applicant then applies to change to an alternative program the applicant may be required to undergo a further assessment; at the University's absolute discretion.
- 2.5 In the event that the University determines that in its opinion the applicant is not GTE the applicant will be ineligible for admission into the University for a period of two 2 years from the date of the assessment.
- 2.6 In the event that HA refuses to grant the applicant a student visa the applicant will be ineligible for admission into the University for a period of two 2 years from the date that the University becomes aware of such refusal.

### 3. Withdrawal of Offers

- 3.1 If the University gives an applicant an Offer of Admission, and the applicant fails to complete any required assessment or the University determines that in its opinion the applicant is not GTE, the University may withdraw any Offer of Admission.
  - 3.2 If the University gives an applicant an Offer of Admission and it later determines or reasonably suspects that information or documentation supplied by the applicant or their representative during the assessment process was incorrect or fraudulent, the University reserves the right to withdraw any Offers of Admission for that applicant and may at its discretion not consider any further applications for admission from the applicant for a period of 2 years.
  - 3.3 If an applicant has an Offer of Admission but was not required to complete a GTE assessment before obtaining the Offer, the University can at its discretion require the applicant to complete a GTE assessment. In the event that the applicant does not complete the assessment or does complete the assessment but fails to demonstrate that they are GTE, the University has the right to withdraw an Offer of Admission for that applicant and may at its discretion not consider any further applications for admission from the applicant for a period of 2 years.
  - 3.4 The University reserves the right to withdraw Offers of Admission at any time, even in the event that an applicant signs and returns their Acceptance and Payment Form and pays any monies required and even if a Confirmation of Enrolment (COE) document has been issued.
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4. Miscellaneous

- 4.1 The University reserves the right to vary these Guidelines at any time.
- 4.2 The process, assessment and results of any GTE assessment are confidential to and will remain the exclusive property of the University of South Australia. The University shall not be under any obligation to disclose or provide a copy of the process, assessment or results to applicants, any educational institution or other third party unless required by law to do so but can at its discretion disclose GTE assessment results to its Nominated Business Partners.