



Australian Government

Department of Education

Australia's Education Reforms

Transforming Education for the Future

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Australian International Education

- Higher Education Reform - the *Australian Universities Accord*
- International Education and Skills Strategic Framework
- Trailblazer Universities



Australian Universities Accord

Final Report



Australian Universities Accord Final Report

- On 25 February 2024, the Australian Minister for Education, released the Australian Universities Accord Final Report (the Report).
- The Report is the product of 12 months' work by an expert panel and informed by more than 820 public submissions and extensive consultation with stakeholders.

Australian Universities Accord Final Report

- The Review outlines an ambitious tertiary education reform agenda that will result in substantial and broad-ranging transformation of Australia's higher education system.
- The Review's priorities include helping more people from underrepresented backgrounds go to university; supporting students, including through cost-of-living measures; building and using new knowledge through research; and addressing workforce and governance issues.



Australian Universities Accord Review

- The Australian Universities Accord ('the Accord') was the biggest and broadest review of the higher education sector in 15 years. It sets out a blueprint for higher education reform for the next decade and beyond.
- The Accord was clear that many more Australians need tertiary qualifications if Australia is to meet its future skills and employment needs. Consistent with this, the Government has set an ambitious target of lifting tertiary education attainment to 80 per cent of working age people by 2050.
- To help achieve this target, the Government's is responding to 29 of the 47 Accord recommendations in full or in part. This includes a fairer HELP system, cost of living relief for students, support for people from the outer suburbs and regions to go to university and structural reforms to our tertiary education system.

Accord 2024-25 Budget Measures

- The Government will establish the Australian Tertiary Education Commission (ATEC) to steward the tertiary education system. The ATEC will provide the pathway to drive growth through equity and make sure our national skills needs are met. The ATEC will foster a high quality, cohesive and diverse tertiary education system through funding stewardship and performance monitoring..
 - The Government will implement a new managed growth funding system for Australian universities to meet student demand, maintain sustainable growth and increase opportunity for people from underrepresented backgrounds with fully funded places.
 - The Government will also introduce new needs-based funding to better support students from underrepresented backgrounds to participate and succeed in higher education.
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International Education and Skills Strategic Framework

- The Australian Government will also release a new International Education and Skills Strategic Framework (the Framework) later this year to ensure the quality, integrity and sustainability of our world-class international education sector.
- The Framework will set a path for Australia to ensure our international education can continue to deliver benefits to international students, our bilateral relationships and to Australian communities.



Trailblazer Universities

- The Australian Government is building new research capabilities, driving commercialisation outcomes and investing in new industry engagement opportunities through the Trailblazer Universities Program.
- Through this initiative, the Government is building additional capacity to focus on the problems that matter to the nation by driving research excellence and real-world impact.



Trailblazer Universities

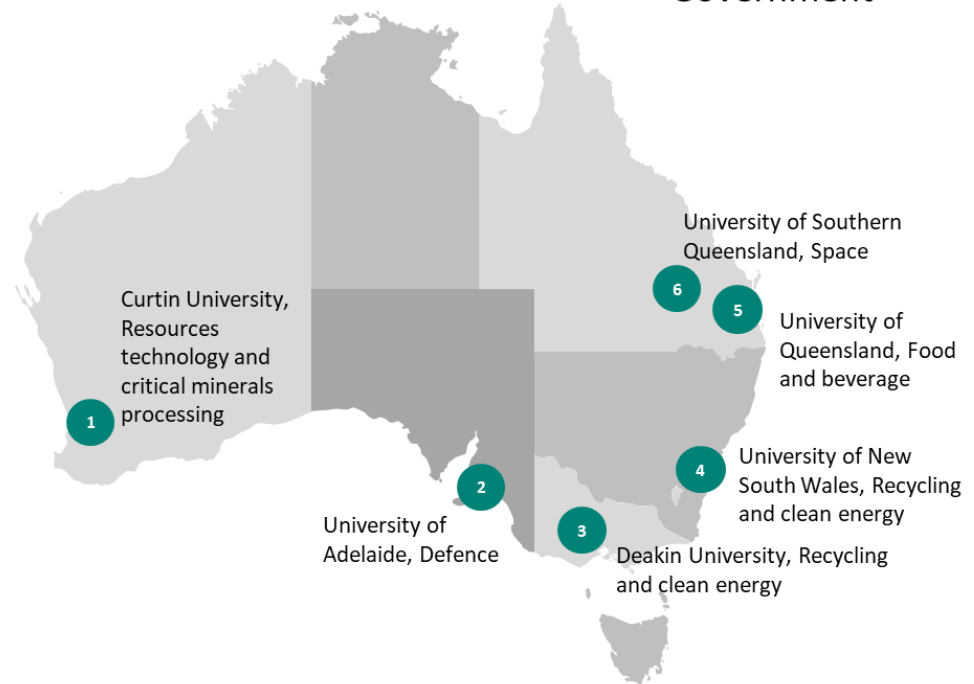
- The Trailblazer Universities Program is led by six select universities who are partnered with a number of other universities and who are receiving dedicated investment to accelerate Australia's innovation agenda at speed and at scale.



Trailblazer Universities

- Trailblazer universities are demonstrating commitment to boosting world-leading capability in a priority area, including:
 - Defence
 - Food and Beverage
 - Space
 - Recycling and Clean Energy
 - Resources Technology and Critical Minerals Technology

\$1.3* billion investment from universities, partners and Australian Government



Over 160 partners across Australia

Number of partners will change overtime as different projects move through Trailblazer Universities.



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Thank you

