

VET Student Loans – Fair Treatment and Equal Benefits and Opportunity Policy

In line with the VET quality and accountability requirements for the purposes of Part 2 Division 2 Sections 9-12 of the VET Student Loans Act 2016, Sydney Art School Pty Ltd (SAS) abides by the following fair treatment of students and equal benefits and opportunities for students.

1. Fair treatment of students

SAS will treat fairly:

a. all of its students who are, or would be, entitled to a VET Student Loan under Part 2 Division 2 Sections 9-12.

b. all persons seeking to enrol with the College in a VET unit of study that meets the course requirements under Part 2 Division 2 Sections 9-12 of the Act and who are, or would be, entitled to VET Student Loan assistance under Part 2 Division 2 Sections 9-12 of the Act.

The application of fair treatment does not require that all students be treated the same. Fairness must be considered in the context of all the relevant circumstances. There are clearly situations in which the fair treatment of students will result in students in different circumstances being treated differently.

2. Equal Benefits and Opportunities

SAS will ensure that it maintains and adheres to open, fair and transparent procedures that are based on merit for making of decisions in relation to:

a. the selection, from among the persons who are, or would be, entitled to VET Student Loan assistance under Part 2 Division 2 Sections 9-12 of the Act and who seek to enrol with the College in a VET unit of study that meets the requirements under Part 2 Division 2 Sections 9-12 of the Act, of persons to enrol; and b. The treatment of students who are, or would be, entitled to VET Student Loan assistance under Part 2 Division 2 Sections 9-12 of the Act undertaking a VET course of study.

In making decisions in alignment with the above the School is not prevented from taking into account, educational disadvantages that a particular student has experienced or the fact that a student has experienced, or the fact that a student may be enrolled via a VET restricted access arrangement.

As a component of this policy SAS has in place **Student Entry and Selection Procedures** detailing:

- Pre-enrolment information and support
- Selection processes into course/s
- Student entry requirements (VET Student Loan)
- Literacy and numeracy testing
- Admission processes