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ESOS Mini Plenary

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AVCC Approach to National Code Revision

- **Legislative duty to review ESOS Act 2000 – not a result of industry failing**
- **Commitment to consumer protection, the reputation of the Australian industry and Australia's migration program**
- **Underlying AVCC principles:**
 - *Preserving university autonomy;*
 - *Reducing red tape and administrative burdens;*
 - *Eliminating discrimination between domestic and international students;*
 - *Reducing duplication of government auditing and reporting.*



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AVCC Process

- **AVCC Code of Practice for International Students**
- **Written Submissions and face to face meetings with DEST at all stages of the ESOS Act Evaluation process**
- **Consultation with university staff across all levels**
- **Independent Cost Analysis of implementation of the Industry Consultation Draft**
- **Joint Peak Body Response**
- **Watching brief on ESOS Act Amendments to be introduced in the future as well as those currently before the Senate**

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Key Standards

- **Standard 9 (duration): gives flexibility so students won't have to take extra units to maintain a full time load;**
- **Standard 10 (course progress): Universities to monitor academic progress;**
- **Standard 11 (attendance): Issue for dual sector universities, solution is still to be determined;**
- **AVCC to monitor impact of the revised National Code according to AVCC principles.**

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