

Australian private education: Overview

Presented by Lea Sublett – Taylors College (Australia)



Overview

- Private tertiary education in Australia
- Factors influencing students to choose Australia
- Where do they study?
- What do they study?
- Strengths of Australia's international education system

Australia's private tertiary sector

- Private tertiary education sector in Australia educates 1.44 million FT equivalent students a year
- ACPET represents private education providers including schools, VET, higher education, English and foundation (Taylors College provides school, English and foundation)
- 169,000 international students study at an ACPET college
- 85% of VET enrolments are in private education institutions

Australia's private tertiary sector

In addition to students going to Australia –

- Transferability of providing programs onshore
- Capacity and desire from private providers to deliver programs onshore
- Transnational delivery through partnerships with local institutions or stand-alone

Why do students choose Australia?

ISB survey 2009/10 of 38 ACPET members, 9,409 responses:

- Lifestyle – opportunity to live in Australia
- Reputation of the Australian education system
- Desire to immigrate to Australia
- Cost of study
- Cost of Living
- Reputation of the institution
- Geographic location
- Ability to combine work and study

What courses are offered?

- Aviation
- Business and management
- Community, health and welfare
- Creative arts
- Education and training
- Finance/IT
- Retail
- Traditional trades (eg construction, electrical, engineering)
- Transport & logistics
- Tourism & hospitality

Strengths of the sector

- Job-ready graduates with real world skills
- Quality of teaching and industry experience
- Student safety and security
- Improved regulation
- Institute and qualification reputation
- Strong consumer protection mechanisms

Taylor's College / Study Group

- 90 year old private college located in Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Auckland.
- Owned by for-profit company Study Group.
- Goal to prepare students for university success.
- High School, Diplomas and Foundation programs of the University of Sydney and University of Western Australia.
- Vietnam a priority country for Taylor's – short-term students to Australia; long-term commitment to delivering programs onshore through local partner.

Questions?

