



TEQSA's previous media responses on this matter

Response to questions from the *Australian Financial Review*, 10 January 2025

Questions

- I want to know whether TEQSA has any authority or oversight of vice chancellors who have second paid jobs.

TEQSA's response (sent via email 10 January 2025)

- The Higher Education Standards Framework 2021 requires all higher education providers to have in place a formally constituted governing body that exercises competent governance oversight.
- As part of our regulatory and quality assurance activities, TEQSA seeks evidence that appropriate institutional policies and controls are in place in relation to staffing matters and that these are routinely considered by provider governing bodies.
- TEQSA supports the implementation of priority action 5 from the Australian Universities Accord. TEQSA is presently developing new guidance and reporting requirements regarding provider workplace obligations and is also engaging with work to be led by the Department of Education to establish the Expert Council on University Governance.
- Relevant standards:
 - Standard 6.1 Corporate Governance
 - Standard 6.2 – Corporate Governance and Accountability
 - Standard 6.3 – Academic Governance