

REPORTING NATIONAL SECURITY CONCERNS



National Security Hotline (24/7)

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For reporting suspicions of possible terrorist and/or foreign interference activities



Notifiable Incidents, Threats and Reportable Observations Portal

nitro.asio.gov.au

For reporting instances of suspected threats to privileged information or sensitive capabilities



Report Cyber

1300 292 371
www.cyber.gov.au/report-and-recover/report

For reporting cyber incidents

NATIONAL SECURITY GOVERNMENT CONTACTS

Agency	Relevance	Contact
Department of Education	Guidelines to Counter Foreign Interference in the Australian University Sector	Email: NSF@education.gov.au
	<i>Higher Education Support Amendment (Freedom of Speech) Act 2021</i>	Email: HEstandards@education.gov.au
Department of Home Affairs	PACT Regulations: <i>Migration Amendment (Protecting Australia's Critical Technology) Regulations 2022</i> <i>Migration Amendment (Postgraduate Research in Critical Technology – Student Visa Conditions) Regulations 2022</i>	
	Security of Critical Infrastructure Act 2018	Cyber and Infrastructure Security Centre Phone: 1300 272 524 Email: enquiries@CISC.gov.au
Attorney-General's Department	Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Act 2018	Website: transparency.ag.gov.au Helpline: 02 6141 3222 Email: transparency@ag.gov.au
	<i>Espionage and Foreign Interference Act 2018</i>	Counter Terrorism Policy and Engagement Section Email: efipolicy@ag.gov.au
Department of Defence	Defence Research, Innovation and Collaboration Security (DRICS) Program	Defence Science and Technology Group Email: DRICS.Ask.Us@defence.gov.au
	Defence Industry Security Program (DISP)	Defence Industry Security team Phone: 1800DEFENCE (1800 333 362) Email: disp.info@defence.gov.au Website: www.defence.gov.au/security/industry
	Defence Export Controls: <i>Defence Trade Controls Act 2012</i> <i>Defence Trade Controls Regulations 2013</i> <i>Customs Act 1901</i> <i>Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958</i> <i>Weapons of Mass Destruction (Prevention of Proliferation) Act 1995</i> <i>Defence and Strategic Goods List 2021</i>	Defence Export Controls Group Phone: 1800 661 066 Email: ExportControls@defence.gov.au Website: www.defence.gov.au/business-industry/export/controls
	Foreign Arrangements Scheme: <i>Australia's Foreign Relations (State and Territory Arrangements) Act 2020</i>	Foreign Arrangements Branch Email: foreignarrangements@dfat.gov.au
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Australian Sanctions Law: Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011 Charter of the United Nations Act 1945	Australian Sanctions Office Email: sanctions@dfat.gov.au Web form: pax.dfat.gov.au/sncPortal/s/contactus

NATIONAL SECURITY ARCHITECTURE

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Department of Education	Guidelines to Counter Foreign Interference in the Australian University Sector	Developed collaboratively between the Australian Government and university sector, the Guidelines set out practical advice for universities to uplift their foreign interference and cyber security risk mitigations, in proportion to their unique organisational risk profile.
	<i>Higher Education Support Amendment (Freedom of Speech) Act 2021</i>	The <i>Higher Education Support Amendment (Freedom of Speech) Act 2021</i> outlines the requirement for higher education providers to have a policy that upholds freedom of speech and academic freedom, as defined in the <i>Higher Education Support Act</i> itself.
Department of Home Affairs	PACT Regulations: <i>Migration Amendment (Protecting Australia’s Critical Technology) Regulations 2022</i> <i>Migration Amendment (Postgraduate Research in Critical Technology – Student Visa Conditions) Regulations 2022</i>	The <i>Migration Amendment (Protecting Australia’s Critical Technology) Regulations 2022</i> and the <i>Migration Amendment (Postgraduate Research in Critical Technology – Student Visa Conditions) Regulations 2022</i> (collectively termed the ‘PACT Regulations’) establish a framework to safeguard against unwanted transfer of Australia’s critical technology through the migration program.
	Security of Critical Infrastructure Act 2018	The <i>Security of Critical Infrastructure Act 2018</i> provides a framework for managing risks relating to critical infrastructure, which can include assets owned by, operated by or related to universities. The framework includes obligations regarding asset registration, data management, cyber security and incident reporting.
Attorney-General’s Department	Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Act 2018 <i>Espionage and Foreign Interference Act 2018</i>	The <i>Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Act 2018</i> establishes a requirement for individuals or entities, which may include universities, to register certain activities if they are undertaken on behalf of a foreign principal or as part of a registrable arrangement. The Attorney General’s Department is also responsible for administration of the Criminal Code as it relates to Espionage and Foreign Interference. These offences relate to the <i>Espionage and Foreign Interference Act 2018</i> .
	Defence Research, Innovation and Collaboration Security (DRICS) Program	The DRICS program ensures appropriate security controls are in place to protect Defence Innovation, Science and Technology research outcomes when delivered by, or in conjunction with, external partners including universities. Through assessment of relevant contractual arrangements, raising awareness and implementation of security controls by delivery partners, security risks are identified and reduced.
Department of Defence	Defence Industry Security Program (DISP)	The DISP supports Australian organisations, including universities, to understand and meet their security obligations when engaging in Defence projects, contracts and tenders.
	Defence Export Controls: <i>Defence Trade Controls Act 2012</i> <i>Defence Trade Controls Regulations 2013</i> <i>Customs Act 1901</i> <i>Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958</i> <i>Weapons of Mass Destruction (Prevention of Proliferation) Act 1995</i> <i>Defence and Strategic Goods List 2021</i>	The Department of Defence is responsible for regulating and administering controls on the export, supply, publication and brokering of controlled and uncontrolled military and dual-use goods, software and technologies and the granting or refusal of authorisations to export, in the form of permits and licenses. Within Defence, this role is done by Defence Export Controls (DEC). DEC regulates such activities through various legislative instruments and relevant assessment criteria.
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Foreign Arrangements Scheme: <i>Australia’s Foreign Relations (State and Territory Arrangements) Act 2020</i>	Australia’s Foreign Relations (State and Territory Arrangements) Act 2020 fosters a consistent approach to foreign engagement across all levels of Australian government. It creates a scheme to ensure that arrangements between State or Territory government entities, including universities, and foreign government entities do not adversely affect Australia’s foreign relations and are not inconsistent with Australia’s foreign policy.
	Australian Sanctions Law: Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011 Charter of the United Nations Act 1945	Australia implements two types of sanctions frameworks: United Nations Security Council sanctions which are binding under international law, and Autonomous sanctions imposed and implemented by Australia as a matter of foreign policy. Australian sanctions law may impact on a range of activities by universities. The most common activities affected include: enrolling a student from a sanctioned country, employing a person from a sanctioned country, and collaborating with another person or entity (including a foreign university) from a sanctioned country.