



# Existing guidance material available to help identify and counter foreign interference

*Support is available to help protect you from foreign interference.*

While most international interactions are positive and benefit Australia, there is a risk of foreign interference.

Existing guidance materials, developed for and in partnership with the university sector, are available to help support universities to identify and counter foreign interference. Foreign interference could include attempts to inappropriately influence course content, research directions or staff and student actions.

The guidance material includes useful tools and resources to assist universities and support staff to identify risks and enhance security measures. It is intended to build on existing risk management policies and security practices already in place.

Existing material include:

- frameworks for managing risks and policies and procedures that set out responsibilities for those engaging in university business
- how to identify acts of foreign interference
- escalation and reporting mechanisms for foreign interference-related matters
- strategies to raise awareness and support mitigation of foreign interference risks
- information on understanding and mitigating cyber business risks
- example case studies to help develop frameworks.
- The **[Guidelines to Counter Foreign Interference in the Australian University Sector](#)** (last updated in 2021)



To access the guidance material, visit [www.education.gov.au/countering-foreign-interference-australian-university-sector](http://www.education.gov.au/countering-foreign-interference-australian-university-sector) or scan the QR code.