

Statutory declaration

When to use it

This form is provided for use if you are unable to complete our USI exemption request form online.

Further information on exemptions can be found at:

<https://www.usi.gov.au/students/create-your-usi/exemptions-usi>

Completing and returning this declaration

Please allow 10 business days for processing

Please use block letters in black or blue pen and check the following is completed:

- all mandatory questions marked with an asterisk (*) are answered
- both the declarant and the witness have signed the form
- the form has been signed within 30 days of submission.

Witness

An approved witness must be authorised under Australian law to witness statutory declarations, and they must have a professional connection to Australia. This typically involves being licensed or registered to practice in Australia or holding an Australian membership to a relevant professional organisation.

Returning this form

Email: PolicyDataCompliance@usi.gov.au

Post:

Student Identifiers Registrar

PO Box 9828

Adelaide SA 5001



Declaration

IMPORTANT: For this form to be accepted, all questions marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory.

1. Name *	
2. Date of birth * (DD/MM/YYYY)	
3. Address	
4. Declaration	<p>make the following declaration under the <i>Statutory Declarations Act 1959</i>:</p> <p>a. I make this declaration for the purposes of requesting that the Student Identifiers Registrar (Registrar) determine that subsections 53(1) and 53A(1) of the <i>Student Identifiers Act 2014</i> do not apply to me so that I can be issued a Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualification or a VET statement of attainment, or be conferred a higher education award, without having a Unique Student Identifier (USI);</p> <p>b. I have the following genuine personal objection to being assigned a USI:</p>
5. Set out matter to be declared * (Please write legibly)	

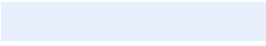


<p>6. Understanding</p>	<p>a. I understand the consequences of not being assigned a USI, including that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it may impact on my ability to establish eligibility for other financial assistance to undertake vocational education and training, in particular, I will not be able to apply for a VET student loan under the <i>VET Student Loans Act 2016</i> on or after 1 January 2021; • it affects my ability to receive Commonwealth assistance under the <i>Higher Education Support Act 2003</i>, in particular: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ I will not be eligible to be a Commonwealth supported student, or for HECS-HELP assistance or FEE-HELP assistance for a unit of study of a course of study that I commenced on or after 1 January 2021 and for any unit on or after 1 January 2023; ○ I will not be entitled to OS-HELP assistance for applications on or after 1 January 2021; ○ I will not be eligible for SA-HELP assistance in relation to student services and amenities fees payable on or after 1 January 2023; • I will not be able to obtain an authenticated VET transcript (or an extract of a VET transcript) from the Registrar which details information about any VET courses, modules or units of competency undertaken by me after 1 January 2015; and • if I were to choose to obtain a USI in future, any authenticated VET transcript provided will not include information on VET courses, modules or units of competency undertaken by me prior to creation of that USI. <p>b. I understand that this declaration only relates to my request to be exempt from the requirement to have a USI to be issued with a VET qualification or a VET statement of attainment, or be conferred a higher education award, and that it is not possible to apply for an exemption from the requirement to be assigned a USI to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apply for a VET student loan; or • be eligible to receive Commonwealth assistance under the <i>Higher Education Support Act 2003</i>. <p>c. I understand that a person who intentionally makes a false statement in a statutory declaration is guilty of an offence under section 11 of the <i>Statutory Declarations Act 1959</i>, and I believe that the statements in this declaration are true in every particular.</p>
<p>7. Signature of person making the declaration *</p>	<div style="background-color: #e0e0ff; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>
<p>8. Email address and/or phone number of person making the declaration</p>	
<p>9. Place *</p>	<p>Declared at:</p>
<p>10. Date * (DD/MM/YYYY)</p>	



Witness details

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1. Signature of person before whom the declaration is made (see over) *	
2. Full name of person before whom the declaration is made *	
3. Qualification and address of person before whom the declaration is made *	
4. Email address	
5. Contact number	



Note 1 A person who intentionally makes a false statement in a statutory declaration is guilty of an offence, the punishment for which is imprisonment for a term of 4 years — see section 11 of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*.

Note 2 Chapter 2 of the Criminal Code applies to all offences against the Statutory Declarations Act 1959 — see section 5A of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*.

A statutory declaration under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959* may be made before –

1) a person who is currently licensed or registered under a law to practise in one of the following occupations:

- Architect
- Nurse
- Chiropractor
- Occupational therapist
- Dentist
- Optometrist
- Financial adviser
- Patent attorney
- Financial Planner
- Pharmacist
- Legal practitioner
- Physiotherapist
- Medical practitioner
- Psychologist
- Midwife
- Trade marks attorney
- Migration agent registered under Division 3 of Part 3 of the Migration Act 1958
- Veterinary surgeon

2) a person who is enrolled on the roll of the Supreme Court of a State or Territory, or the High Court of Australia, as a legal practitioner (however described); or

3) a person who is in the following list:

Accountant who is:

- a) a fellow of the National Tax Accountants' Association; or
- b) a member of any of the following:
 - i. Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand;
 - ii. the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants;
 - iii. CPA Australia;
 - iv. the Institute of Public Accountants

Agent of the Australian Postal Corporation who is in charge of an office supplying postal services to the public

APS employee engaged on an ongoing basis with 5 or more years of continuous service who is not specified in another item in this list Australian Consular Officer or Australian Diplomatic Officer (within the meaning of the Consular Fees Act 1955)

Bailiff

Bank officer with 5 or more continuous years of service

Building society officer with 5 or more years of continuous service Chief executive officer of a Commonwealth court

Clerk of a court Commissioner for Affidavits

Commissioner for Declarations

Credit union officer with 5 or more years of continuous service

Employee of a Commonwealth authority engaged on a permanent basis with 5 or more years of continuous service who is not specified in another item in this list Employee of the Australian Trade and Investment Commission who is:

- a) in a country or place outside Australia; and
- b) authorised under paragraph 3 (d) of the Consular Fees Act 1955; and
- c) exercising the employee's function at that place

Employee of the Commonwealth who is:

- a) at a place outside Australia; and
- b) authorised under paragraph 3 (c) of the Consular Fees Act 1955; and
- c) exercising the employee's function at that place

Engineer who is:

- a) a member of Engineers Australia, other than at the grade of student; or
- b) a Registered Professional Engineer of Professionals Australia; or

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- d) registered as an engineer under a law of the Commonwealth, a State or Territory; or
- e) registered on the National Engineering Register by Engineers Australia Finance company officer with 5 or more years of continuous service

Holder of a statutory office not specified in another item in this list Judge

Justice of the Peace Magistrate

Marriage celebrant registered under Subdivision C of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961

Master of a court

Member of the Australian Defence Force who is:

- a) an officer
- b) a non-commissioned officer within the meaning of the Defence Force Discipline Act 1982 with 5 or more years of continuous service
- d) a warrant officer within the meaning of that Act

Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy Member of the Governance Institute of Australia Ltd

Member of:

- a) the Parliament of the Commonwealth
- b) the Parliament of a State
- c) a Territory legislature
- d) a local government authority

Minister of religion registered under Subdivision A of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961

Notary public, including a notary public (however described) exercising functions at a place outside

- a) the Commonwealth
- b) the external Territories of the Commonwealth

Permanent employee of the Australian Postal Corporation with 5 or more years of

continuous service who is employed in an office providing postal services to the public

Permanent employee of

- a) a State or Territory or a State or Territory authority
- b) a local government authority

with 5 or more years of continuous service, other than such an employee who is specified in another item of this list

Person before whom a statutory declaration may be made under the law of the State or Territory in which the declaration is made

Police officer

Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, of a court

Senior executive employee of a Commonwealth authority Senior executive employee of a State or Territory

SES employee of the Commonwealth Sheriff Sheriff's officer

Teacher employed on a permanent full-time or part-time basis at a school or tertiary education institution