

National Code – International Students Only

In addition to Astra's policies and procedures, international students will also need to be aware of Astra's obligations under the [National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2018](#) and what this means for your study in Australia.

In Australia, a student is considered an international student if they are not an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident, New Zealand citizen, or a holder of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa.

What is the National Code?

The [National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2018](#) (also known as the 'National Code') is a legislative instrument made under the Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 (ESOS Act) and sets nationally consistent standards that:

1. supports providers to deliver quality education and training to overseas students; and
2. governs the protection of international students enrolled in CRICOS register courses.

The National Code does not apply to domestic students.

How does the National Code impact me?

For international students under the National Code you:

1. generally cannot transfer between registered providers prior to completing six calendar months of the main course of study for which your student visa was issued ([Standard 7](#))
2. must maintain satisfactory course progress as defined in the 'Student Progression and Exclusion Policy and Procedure' ([Standard 8](#))
3. must study at least one unit in 'face-to-face' mode in each trimester and can only complete one-third of your course online ([Standard 8](#))

Your Australian student visa will have included a list of the various other conditions you must follow.

Astra's policies and procedures may also contain information specific to you as an international student.