

The Honourable Karen Andrews MP  
Minister for Industry, Science and Technology  
Member for McPherson  
PO Box 6022  
House of Representatives  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

I am writing to place on record the support of Griffith University for the Gold Coast Regional Classification Business Case (August 2019) prepared by Study Gold Coast.

As a member of the broader Gold Coast community and member of Griffith University, I strongly support the University's position for the following reasons:

1. Remember the Commonwealth Games, with Griffith University domestic and international students providing an extraordinary support and great impact for the region.
2. Each year, Griffith University students of different disciplines (architecture, tourism, water management, etc.) go to work in the outback to help the rural communities. It triggers results and impacts for these communities, but also motivate some graduate students to move in rural areas.
3. Australia is a welcoming country, looking for innovation and great new ideas: these international students are part of the solution!

Regards

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