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SUBMISSION TO SENATE INQUIRY INTO ACADEMIC FREEDOM

I began university in 2001 as a mature age student and did a BA majoring in History and English. Then I did a Dip Ed. I come from a working class background and was always a Labor voter. By the time I had finished university I had become a committed Liberal.

This is because I saw the total left-wing bias at university and the way that the younger students and the lesser free thinkers, especially, just soaked it all up and eventually began to ape the opinions they were being fed.

The BA wasn't too bad as the teachers, although predominantly left-wing, were mostly fairly objective. On the other hand, it may have been that I slowly came to realise how biased they actually were as I became more critically aware the more I read and learned. The real shock came when I started in the Education stream. The whole faculty, all the study material and the system is extremely (radically) left-wing.

Everything you are taught is about looking after minorities and fashionable victim groups – females, any race except whites, non-English speakers, people with disabilities, homosexuals, transsexuals etc. One teacher in particular was supposed to be teaching us how to teach History to high school students. Instead, every lesson, we were subjected to a hateful diatribe against John Howard, the Liberal Party in general and any one who didn't agree with her belief that Australia is a racist, sexist and homophobic country designed to favour the rich and stomp on the poor.

Since finishing university I have read widely about the education system in Australia (from pre-school through to university) and have come to the conclusion that it is little more than a left-wing indoctrination facility run by self appointed social engineers. These people seem to have an agenda of dumbing down the majority of society by teaching them a socialistic version of history and denying a real opportunity to learn the real English language.

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