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Submission to the Senate Inquiry into the role of TAFE and its operation

TAFE provides an excellent opportunity for all Australians to improve their prospects for obtaining work.

TAFE assists its students acquire various skills that enables them to obtain work in various vocational areas which are not often available at other educational facilities.

TAFE delivers its services and programs to all areas of the community and especially assists with developing skills for rural and disadvantaged individuals.

I work casually at TAFE to supervise Open Training Education Network (OTEN) students and admire the diversity in the students that come for the different exams.

The withdrawal of money from TAFE would be an extremely poor decision and strip many individuals of affordable education and the chance to get qualifications and certificates that lead to self-confidence and employment .

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