

Activating AIE2025

A different and exciting journey

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I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Aboriginal people as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet.

I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past and present, and I would like to extend my respect to any Aboriginal people who are present here today.



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TAFE Western's market approach – sharpen the focus

Our geography informs our business decisions Anticipate opportunities linked to our strengths Build relationships – here to learn not to tell

3 pronged strategy:

- 1. Ensure own students have international experience
- 2. Deliver non-accredited training in country
- 3. Short-term study tours in western NSW













Outbound Mobility – leaner-centred approach

- Regional and remote context important for own students to have international experience
- Australian Government support for VET students – establishment grant 2015
- Build cultural competence
- Open up potential job experiences borderless world
- Establish relationships with industries working in and demonstrate reciprocation



The journey commences – OMP students' first trip OS?











































Nursing in China













Master Classes – Australian edge

China = government supported emerging VET sector

Traditionally theory-based learning vs Australian applied learning and demonstration of practical skills

Anticipate changes that inform growth in training needs: emerging services industry & community services sector

Master class approach: non-accredited training to skills gaps

- Children Services
- Aged Care
- VET practitioner skills
- Online Teaching









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Study Tours – sharpen market focus

Build Chinese staff & students' skills & knowledge through exposure to Australian context

Quality vs price – unique learning opportunities

Agricultural College visit:

- 10 week student program + 4 week teacher program
- Intensive English at start
- Class-based and hands on practical (new experience for students)
- Live in community & supported by small community
- Cultural experiences









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TAFE Western's experience – innovative approach

- Our geography informs our business decisions

 traditional international approach not viable
 so no point trying to do the same as others
- Build relationships sought cultural advice re doing business in China
- ✓ Support of Austrade important for support and to build connections
- ✓ Find right partner/s with synergies with us
- \checkmark Align approach to emerging sectors



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