

# Unique Student Identifier RTO Application form

## Unique Student Identifier (USI)

From 1 January 2015 if you are undertaking nationally recognised training you will need to have a Unique Student Identifier (USI). This includes all students who are continuing a course they started prior to 2015, and all new students. Further information about the USI can be accessed from USI website as well as the *Fact Sheet: Student Information for the Unique Student Identifier* available at the USI website: [www.usi.gov.au/students](http://www.usi.gov.au/students). You have the option of either creating your own USI or providing permission for the training organisation to create a USI for you. **Creating your own USI**

It is free and easy for you to create your own USI online. You can create your own USI at the USI website: [www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au). If you create your own USI, you must provide your USI to Vital Training Solutions (91618) as soon as possible so that your USI can be verified and records updated.

### Requesting Vital Training Solutions to create your USI for you

While you may create your own USI, Vital Training Solutions is also able to create a USI for you. This application form should be completed and returned to Vital Training Solutions as soon as possible for your USI to be created.

## Unique Student Identifier – Personal Details

Legal given name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of birth:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ **Gender:** Male Female X (indeterminate/intersex/unspecified)

**In which Country were you born?** Australia Other – please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**In which Town/City were you born?** please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** (this must be your residential address) \_\_\_\_\_

No. and street: Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Residence: State: Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** Work: ( ) Mobile: Home: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

Work email: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Unique Student Identifier – Identification Requirements

### Personal Identification

To create a USI, you will need to provide Vital Training Solutions with a minimum of one valid Australian form of ID from the list below: ▾ – please tick the applicable boxes below and complete the required fields

**Drivers Licence** > State: \_\_\_\_\_ Licence Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Medicare Card** > Medicare Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Individual Reference Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Colour: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Australian Passport** > Document Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Visa** > Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_ **(with**

**Non-Australian Passport) for international students**

**Birth Certificate (Australian)** > State: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*NB: Birth Certificate extract is not sufficient**

**Certificate Of Registration By Descent** > Acquisition Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Citizenship Certificate** > Stock Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Acquisition Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ImmiCard** > ImmiCard Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Privacy Notice

If you do not already have a Unique Student Identifier (USI) and you want Vital Training Solutions to apply for a USI to the Student Identifiers Registrar (Registrar) on your behalf, Vital Training Solutions will provide to the Registrar the following items of personal information about you:

- Your name, including first or given name(s), middle name(s) and surname or family name as they appear in an identification document;
- Your date of birth, as it appears, if shown, in the chosen document of identity;
- Your city or town of birth;
- Your country of birth;
- Your gender; and
- Your contact details.

When we apply for a USI on your behalf the Registrar will verify your identity. The Registrar will do so through the Document Verification Service (DVS) managed by the Attorney-General's Department which is built into the USI online application process if you have documents such as a Medicare card, birth certificate, driver licence, Australian passport, citizenship document, certificate of registration by descent, ImmiCard or Australian entry visa.

If you do not have a document suitable for the DVS and we are authorised to do so by the Registrar we may be able to verify your identity by other means. If you do not have any of the identity documents mentioned above, and we are not authorised by the Registrar to verify your identity by other means, we cannot apply for a USI on your behalf and you should contact the Student Identifiers Registrar.

In accordance with section 11 of the Student Identifiers Act 2014 Cth (SI Act), we will securely destroy personal information which we collect from you solely for the purpose of applying for a USI on your behalf as soon as practicable after the USI application has been made or the information is no longer needed for that purpose, unless we are required by or under any law to retain it.

The personal information about you that we provide to the Registrar, including your identity information, is protected by the Privacy Act 1988 Cth (Privacy Act). The collection, use and disclosure of your USI are protected by the SI Act.

If you ask Vital Training Solutions to make an application for a student identifier on your behalf, Vital Training Solutions will have to declare that certain terms and conditions have been complied with to be able to access the online student identifier portal and submit this application, including a declaration that Vital Training Solutions has given you the following privacy notice:

You are advised and agree that you understand and consent that the personal information you provide to us in connection with your application for a USI:

- Is collected by the Registrar for the purposes of:
  - Applying for, verifying and giving a USI;
  - Resolving problems with a USI; and
  - Creating authenticated vocational education and training (VET) transcripts;
- May be disclosed to:
  - Commonwealth and State/Territory government departments and agencies and statutory bodies performing functions relating to VET for:
    - The purposes of administering and auditing Vocational Education and Training (VET), VET providers and VET programs;
    - Education related policy and research purposes; and
    - To assist in determining eligibility for training subsidies;
  - VET Regulators to enable them to perform their VET regulatory functions;
  - VET Admission Bodies for the purposes of administering VET and VET programs;
  - Current and former Registered Training Organisations to enable them to deliver VET courses

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- to the individual, meet their reporting obligations under the VET standards and government contracts and assist in determining eligibility for training subsidies;
- Schools for the purposes of delivering VET courses to the individual and reporting on these courses;
  - The National Centre for Vocational Education Research for the purpose of creating authenticated VET transcripts, resolving problems with USIs and for the collection, preparation and auditing of national VET statistics;
  - Researchers for education and training related research purposes;
  - Any other person or agency that may be authorised or required by law to access the information;
  - Any entity contractually engaged by the Student Identifiers Registrar to assist in the performance of his or her functions in the administration of the USI system; and
  - Will not otherwise be disclosed without your consent unless authorised or required by or under law.

### Privacy policies and complaints

You can find further information on how the Registrar collects, uses and discloses the personal information about you in the Registrar's Privacy Policy (<http://usi.gov.au/Pages/privacy-policy.aspx>) or by contacting the Registrar on email: [usi@industry.gov.au](mailto:usi@industry.gov.au) or telephone the Skilling Australia information line on 13 38 73, international enquiries +61 3 5454 5280.

**Privacy policies and complaints** The Registrar's Privacy Policy contains information about how you may access and seek correction of the personal information held about you and how you may make a complaint about a breach of privacy by the Registrar in connection with the USI and how such complaints will be dealt with.

You may also make a complaint to the Information Commissioner about an interference with privacy pursuant to the Privacy Act, which includes the following:

- Misuse or interference of or unauthorised collection, use, access, modification or disclosure of USIs; and
- A failure by us to destroy personal information collected by you only for the purpose of applying for a USI on your behalf.

For information about how Vital Training Solutions collects, uses and discloses your personal information generally, including how you can make a complaint about a breach of privacy, please refer to Vital Training Solutions privacy policy which can be found on our website: [www.vitaltrainingsolutions.com.au](http://www.vitaltrainingsolutions.com.au)

Vital Training Solutions Privacy Policy is also available in our *Student Handbook*, which can also be accessed on our website [www.vitaltrainingsolutions.com.au](http://www.vitaltrainingsolutions.com.au). This Privacy Policy contains information about how individuals may access and seek correction of the personal information held by us, and how to complain about a breach of privacy, and how we will deal with such a complaint.

In providing your personal information as requested and signing this notice, you are confirming your receipt of, and understanding of these details, and providing your consent for the collection, storage, use and disclosure of your personal information as outlined.

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Student Name

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Student signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date