



Introduction to Student Equity Evaluation

Learn how evaluation can enhance and maximise student equity program effectiveness in this practical introductory course.

In this course, you'll become familiar with the role of evaluation in relation to student equity programs and practice, and be introduced to relevant frameworks, such as the Student Equity in Higher Education Evaluation Framework (SEHEEF). You'll gain an understanding of evaluation and its key elements, and the ability to relate this to your day-to-day practice in student equity.

You'll also be introduced to key ethical and privacy considerations when working in this area.

Who is this stream for?

This stream suits equity professionals working in Australian universities.

Earn a badge

Once you successfully completed this stream, you'll earn a digital badge that is instantly shareable to your social networks (including LinkedIn) which showcases your new skills and knowledge mastery.



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This digital badge provides foundation knowledge in a discipline and doesn't require previous knowledge.

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Start:
24 Sep 2025*



Delivery Mode:
Fully online^



Duration:
90 minutes†



Price:
Free§

What you will learn in each module

This stream comprises 3 modules (modules 1-3 of the ACSES Evaluation Learning Program).

Module 1: Introduction to Equity Evaluation Overview

This module introduces evaluation in the context of student equity work in Australian universities. Learners will gain a foundational understanding of continuous quality improvement and impact evaluation, and how these concepts apply to student equity programs and practice.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this module Learners will:

- Understand the background and purpose of student equity evaluation
- Understand the fundamental components of the SEHEEF, including:
 - Student life stages
 - Distinction between student equity programs and activities
 - Typology of activities
 - Master Program Logic

Module 2: Evaluation Fundamentals Overview

This module provides an overview of program evaluation, and how this applies to student equity programs and activities. It explains the purpose and benefits of evaluating student equity programs, and key principles to ensure robust and valid evaluation that produces meaningful and accurate findings.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this module Learners will:

- Understand what evaluation is, and why the evaluation of student equity programs is important.
- Understand the key steps and requirements for effective program evaluation.

Module 3: Ethical Evaluation Overview

This module covers best practices in evaluating student equity programs, focusing on issues of ethics and privacy. It looks at how to protect participants' safety and wellbeing while providing accurate and useful insights for decision-making. It also addresses special concerns when evaluating programs for vulnerable groups and ensures that comparison groups are treated fairly. Additionally, it explains when formal research ethics approval is necessary.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this module Learners will:

- Understand the importance of ethical conduct in undertaking student equity program evaluations.
- Understand institutional responsibilities in ensuring ethical evaluation practices, including when engaging with vulnerable populations.
- Understand when to seek formal research ethics approval for student equity program evaluation.

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† This stream involves approximately 90 minutes of online resources, readings, activities and assessments. However to complete the stream, you may need to commit further time.

^ Learning is done completely online.

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