How to Obtain a Unique Student Identifier (USI)

A **USI** is a mandatory, lifelong education number issued by the Australian Government. It is required for all students enrolling in nationally recognised training, including university, TAFE, and other vocational education providers.

Why You Need a USI

You must have a USI to:

- Enrol in nationally recognised courses

- Access your training records and results

- Receive qualifications or statements of attainment

- Apply for Commonwealth financial assistance (e.g., HECS-HELP, FEE-HELP)

- Graduate from your coursE

Steps to Create Your USI

For Domestic Students

1. **Go to the USI Student Portal**: usi.gov.au [Create you...Identifier]

2. **Click "Create USI"**

3. **Provide Identification**: Use one form of ID such as:

   o Australrian passport

   o Birth certificate

   o Driver's licence

4. **Enter Personal Details**: Ensure your legal name matches your enrolment records.

5. **Set Up Your Account**: Use a personal email and create a secure password.

6. **Receive Your USI**: It will be displayed and emailed to you instantly.

Important Notes

- You only need to create a USI once.

- Do **not** create multiple USIs.

- If you've studied in Australia before, you may already have a USI. You can retrieve it via the USI portal. [Create you...Identifier]

- Your USI must be provided during enrolment to avoid delays in accessing results or graduating.

Tips to Be Prepared When Applying for Your USI

To make the process smooth and quick, follow these tips:

- Use your legal name: Ensure it matches your ID and enrolment records exactly.
- Have your ID ready: Accepted documents include:
    - ✓ Australian passport
    - ✓ Birth certificate
    - ✓ Driver's licence
    - ✓ Medicare card
    - ✓ Visa and foreign passport (for international students)
- Use a personal email address: Avoid using school or work emails to ensure long-term access.
- Choose a secure password: You'll use this to log in and retrieve your USI later.
- Record your USI safely: Save it somewhere secure or take a screenshot.
- Check for an existing USI: If you've studied in Australia before, you may already have one. Use the Find Your USI tool.
- **Avoid duplicate USIs: Creating more than one can cause delays in accessing your records.**