

# Foreign Engagements

## QUICK GUIDE

Please note: this resource is intended as a guide and should be read in conjunction with Australian government information.

	Foreign Arrangements Scheme	Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme	Foreign Interference Guidelines
<b>Concerning</b>	<b>Public disclosure of activities</b>		<b>Risk reduction</b>
<b>Purpose</b> <i>To ensure international activities...</i>	Don't adversely affect Australia's foreign relations and are consistent with our foreign policy	That aim to influence Australian political and government decision-makers are open and transparent	are free from foreign interference
<b>Procedure</b>	Notification	Registration	Risk management
<b>Impact on the University</b>	UOW must notify the Government of international arrangements with foreign governments and their entities  Arrangements in scope are recorded on a <a href="#">public register</a>	Individuals/units must register with the Government if they are carrying out activities and communications on behalf of a foreign principal (ie a government entity or political organisation).  Details are recorded on a <a href="#">public register</a>	University must ensure its practices (especially in governance, due diligence, communication, knowledge sharing and cyber security) are in line with Guidelines from the Department of Education, Skills and Employment.
<b>What staff need to do</b>	Be aware of which arrangements need to be notified;  Inform Global Strategy Division of relevant arrangements (notification is done by the University, not by individuals).	Register under the scheme if they are conducting activities in Australia on behalf of a foreign principal. These activities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>parliamentary lobbying</li> <li>general political lobbying</li> <li>communications activities</li> <li>disbursement activity (payment of money or things of value).</li> </ul>	Decision-makers should be aware of the Guidelines and their advice on addressing key themes and objectives.
<b>Liability</b>	University	Individuals and University	Individuals
<b>Who to speak to for advice</b>	Global Strategy Division - <a href="mailto:gsd-enquiries@uow.edu.au">gsd-enquiries@uow.edu.au</a>		
<b>University resources</b>	<a href="https://www.uow.edu.au/about/governance/legislation/foreign-engagements/">https://www.uow.edu.au/about/governance/legislation/foreign-engagements/</a>		
<b>Legislation</b>	<a href="#">Australia's Foreign Relations (State and Territory Arrangements) Act 2020</a>	<a href="#">Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Act 2018</a>	<a href="#">Guidelines to Counter Foreign Interference in the Australian University Sector</a>
<b>Lead Government department and detailed information</b>	Foreign Affairs and Trade <a href="https://www.foreignarrangements.gov.au/">https://www.foreignarrangements.gov.au/</a>	Attorney-General <a href="https://www.ag.gov.au/integrity/foreign-influence-transparency-scheme">https://www.ag.gov.au/integrity/foreign-influence-transparency-scheme</a>	Education, Skills and Employment <a href="https://www.education.gov.au/ufit">https://www.education.gov.au/ufit</a>