CRICOS Checklist

RMIT UNIVERSITY

Colleges need to consider the following legislative requirements in designing programs intended to be registered with CRICOS.

Requirement	Recommendation	Legislative reference
Program duration can only be registered on the basis of full-time studies.	Design per the standard.	National Code Standard 11.2.1
For VET programs, full-time study is at least 20 hours of scheduled contact hours per teaching week.	Design per the standard.	National Code Standard 11.2.1
Program not to deliver more than 33% of courses via online or distance learning.	Programs with flexible program structures should ensure core courses are available face to face.	Standards 8.18, 8.19 & 11.2.4 of the National Code
At least one face to face course must be available for students to study in each compulsory study period (semester 1 & 2).	Design per the standard.	Standard 8.20 of the National Code
Only work-based training hours that are mandatory for program completion can be registered on CRICOS. These hours will not count towards an international student's work rights.	For noting.	Standards 11.1.2, 11.2.2 of the National Code and student visa conditions 8104 & 8105
Work-based training hours that are not registered will count towards an international student's work hours which are 48 hours per fortnight.	Non-mandatory work-based training courses should be designed with international student work rights in mind.	Student visa conditions 8104 & 8105
Programs can only be delivered at RMIT's CRICOS registered locations.	New locations require additional applications. Consult ERCA.	Section 8, ESOS Act
Programs must be registered at each location it will be delivered at.	Programs taught at Bundoora that require study to be completed at the City campus should be approved and registered for both locations.	Section 8 ESOS Act
Programs cannot have course offerings through OUA or RMIT Online, including stacked microcredentials.	OUA & RMIT Online are not included in RMIT University's CRICOS registration.	Section 8 ESOS Act, ESOS Exempt Courses instrument
Any third-party provider of an RMIT program within Australia can only deliver to international students if they maintain their own CRICOS registration.	Third-party agreements need to be finalised, assessed and provided to regulator as part of CRICOS application.	Section 8 ESOS Act, Standard 11.1.4 and 11.2.5
No semester gap between studies for programs with internal pathways.	A lower-level program finishing in June must articulate into the higher-level program with a July commencement.	Standard 8 National Code, Student visa condition 8202
Ensure existing internal pathway agreements are included as part of new program/plan development.	Ensures accurate marketing and promotion of programs.	Standards 1 to 3 of the National Code