



Response: Australian Universities Accord Discussion Paper

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Australian Universities Accord Panel
RE: Response to Australian Universities Accord Discussion Paper
Department of Education

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The NUW Alliance welcomes the opportunity to provide a response to the Australian Universities Accord Discussion Paper. The NUW Alliance is a collaborative partnership of four leading universities in New South Wales – University of Newcastle, University of Wollongong, UNSW Sydney and Western Sydney University.

The NUW Alliance is committed to improving the quality, accessibility, affordability and sustainability of higher education, in order to achieve long term security and prosperity for the sector and the nation.

Universities have a vital role to play in strengthening Australia’s resilience, ensuring we can respond quickly and effectively to changes, in a sustainable and impactful way. Our collaboration, borne out of a shared vision that together we can achieve more, is testament that global complex challenges will require collaborations that extend beyond the grounds of our campus walls. Fit-for-purpose partnerships which access the breadth of specialist capabilities across the four partners unlocks an unparalleled dynamism that catalyses innovation and impact for our state and nation.

NUW Alliance’s spirit of collaboration is bearing fruit, with our partnership boldly pursuing projects that are innovative and paradigm-shifting - from the Australian Trailblazer for Recycling and Clean Energy, the New Education Training Model, the Decarbonisation Innovation Hub, and the Advanced Manufacturing Research Facility - the NUW Alliance is committed to achieving that which is only possible thanks to our shared vision of collaborating with purpose, generosity, and ultimately, for broad social good.

Collaboration as a vehicle for change will revolutionise the sector. The current climate stymies such agility and the NUW Alliance recommends that frameworks and models which prioritise, support and embed collaboration will ultimately ensure the continued success and prosperity of the higher education landscape, whilst delivering benefit for our diverse communities, which we so proudly serve.

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