

**Submission  
No 192**

**INQUIRY INTO VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND  
TRAINING IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Luke Orlovich is my name and i am a full time TAFE teacher at NIRIMBA TAFE in Quakers Hill NSW. I have been involved with TAFE both as a student (apprenticeship and Certificate levels) many years ago and now as a teacher in Building and Construction.

I love the culture and educational experience that TAFE provides to the students....."a TAFE trained student is job ready worker"

I would love the Upper House Committee members to come to our TAFE and talk with the students to see and hear for themselves just so they can appreciate the effort afforded and the knowledge that these WSI student are gaining today. Teachers are being culled due to huge price increase on fees forcing attendees not to participate in TAFE education today.

The students are the ones affected by this disastrous 'Smart & Skilled' program that we are now to deliver. 'Dumbed down & Unskilled completions ' are the forced result here. Nobody is happy nor can they be as the demise of good education from NIRIMBA TAFE is occurring right under our nose.

Please resist this commercial gamble that TAFE is trying to compete with. We are a wonderful training organisation proud to be a quality based Building & Construction training partner with many eager to learn students (if the fees were accommodating) from the greater Western Sydney area.