Disability Support and EQAL Plan: Role of Equity and Social Inclusion (ESI)

ESI will:

1. Create EQAL Plan based on health professional's recommendations (Relevant practitioner/specialist - registered with Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency) and in consultation with the student.
2. Advise students where to source information on how to access and use EQAL database. Provide demonstration if required.
3. Forward EQAL Plan to Dean and Academic Chair (with consent from student)
4. Organise **certain** accommodations identified on EQAL Plan for coursework and exams/midterm test.
5. Inform students of internal and external support-providers where relevant.
6. Explain the process for converting text and make arrangements where necessary.
7. Inform examinations office of accommodations required for final exams.
8. Organise mid semester tests, based on student's request through EQAL. For more information, see document on Exams and Tests. ESI may decline test/s if resources are not available to administer the total number of tests scheduled on a given day.

ESI does not

1. Provide counselling (Referral to Health and Counselling will be offered)
2. Do retrospective withdrawals (Student to complete paperwork and submit to Enrolments)
3. Dispute the outcome of the appeals panel
4. Advocate on issues, which have occurred in the past when a student was not registered with Equity.
5. Email/send EQAL Plan to UCs/Tutors. That is a student responsibility.
6. Negotiate MST date/time with UCs. Students are required to negotiate alternative arrangements with UC/Tutor with reference to student's EQAL Plan.
7. Email students with information on venue for mid-semester tests that are coordinated by ESI.
8. Have a mandate for making academic decisions - e.g. - grades, teaching content and nature of assignments, to name a few.
9. Assist if a student gives late notice to UC/Tutor of assignment extension and the UC refuses to allow ext.
10. Have a crisis service role (health and counselling to be used for health related crises and Security for security related crises)

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