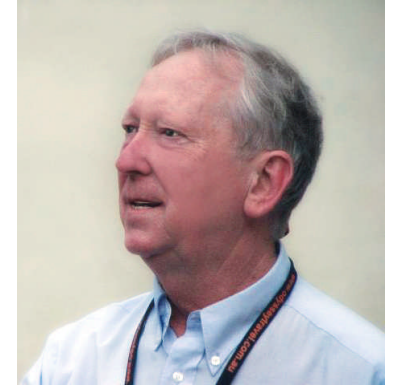


Profile – Vince Callaghan

Vince Callaghan, the author of *ASG's Get Smart Guide* has worked in Australia's post-secondary education sector since the 1970s.

He began his career as a university tutor before the areas of student services and support gained his interest. Soon after, Vince became acutely aware that some students' financial difficulties disadvantaged their participation in further education and Vince has worked to assist students ever since. His career has spanned working with universities and colleges across the country, including the University of Western Australia (UWA), La Trobe University, Melbourne State College – then the largest teachers' college in Australia, and Deakin University at its Warrnambool campus.



Vince has authored a number of guides for both government and post-secondary institutions. His authored publications include the Australian Government's Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme (TEAS), a plain language guide to the TEAS scheme and subsequently the Austudy scheme, the Australian Government's Department of Education's guide to Austudy that resulted in the annual distribution of one million copies Australia wide, and a guide to the costs associated with study for Deakin University.

For many years, Vince was the spokesperson on student financial issues for the Australian and New Zealand Student Services Association and the Student Financial Advisers Network of Australia. In these roles, Vince presented evidence before numerous House of Representative and Senate Inquiries arguing for financial equity for students in general, and rural and regional Australians in particular.

In his retirement, Vince has kept up his interest in student financial concerns as evidenced by his latest publication, *ASG's Get Smart Guide*, his submissions to various government inquiries, and the well-attended seminars and workshops he continues to conduct on the cost of postsecondary education throughout Victoria. He also very much enjoys taking tour groups to Italy for the Wollongong University based, Odyssey Travel. Vince is married to Julie and has two sons, Liam and Ed.

ASG's Get Smart Guide and *ASG's Get Smart Scholarships Guide* can be downloaded from ASG's website: www.asg.com.au – Resources tab.

An image of Vince Callaghan is available on request.

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