**External Guardianship Services for Under 18 Students**

An International student who is under 18 years of age must meet immigration requirements for accommodation, support and general welfare arrangements before a student visa is granted.

International students under 18 years of age must either:

* reside in Australia with a parent, or a person who has custody of them, or a relative aged at least 21 and over nominated by either the parent or the person having custody of them, OR
* provide evidence that a Guardianship Service approved by Deakin College has been appointed to support the student until he/she turns 18.

Further information is available from the Department of Home Affairs website: [www.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au).

Students who choose **Homestay** must use one of the following External Guardianship Services recommended by Deakin College:

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| **Guardianship Provider Options for Deakin College** | |
| **A & J Student Care Services**  T: (613) 9801 2251 / F: (613) 9801 2253  M: 0419 319 633  E: [info@guardians4student.com.au](mailto:info@guardians4student.com.au)  W: [www.guardians4student.com.au](http://www.guardians4student.com.au) | **International Student Alliance (ISA)**  T: (613) 9663 2887 / F: (613) 8678 1317  M: 0401 995 900  E: [info@studentguardians.com](mailto:info@studentguardians.com)  W: www.studentguardians.com |
| **Professional Student Care**  T: (613) 9318 3009 / F: (613) 8677 6500  M: 0422 005 211  E: [info@pscaustralia.com.au](mailto:info@pscaustralia.com.au)  W: [www.pscaustralia.com.au](http://www.pscaustralia.com.au) |  |

**Steps to arrange an external guardian and homestay:**

1. Choose one of the above guardianship companies.
2. Contact the chosen guardianship company directly to arrange the service. They will invoice you directly and once the payment process is complete, the company will send a confirmation of service arrangement to the College.
3. Ensure the Homestay application form has been completed online at [www.student-accommodation.com.au](http://www.student-accommodation.com.au).

Once the College has received confirmation of the guardianship service and homestay arrangements together with the tuition deposit and completed acceptance forms, the COE and CAAW be issued accordingly.