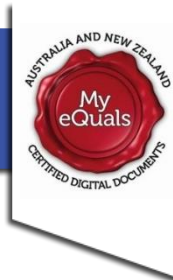


My eQuals Official Digital Credentials platform

We're on the road to credential security

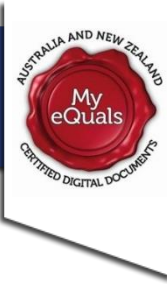
Recipient Information
February 2018

History of My eEquals



Year	Milestone
2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital Student Data (DSD) taskforce established, funded by 39 universities Universities Australia (UA) signs Groningen Declaration DSD Taskforce undertakes Feasibility study (including Expression of Interest)
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Universities New Zealand (UNZ) signs Groningen Declaration Open tender process to select online credentials platform Development of business case and approval to proceed from DVCs Corporate (universities executive forum) Due diligence and formal engagement of Digitary as platform vendor Renaming of DSD to My eEquals Appointment of Higher Ed Services as the managing entity for My eEquals Commencement of implementation (pilot phase) Confirmed participation of 41 universities across Australia and New Zealand at year end
2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> My eEquals formal launch at Groningen Declaration Network Annual Meeting and keynote address by Mr Anthony McClaran, CEO, Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Statements of support from UA, UNZ, TEQSA, Department of Education Pilot phase successfully completed. Pilot sites (4) go live with My eEquals All 47 ANZ universities confirmed as My eEquals participants 20 universities live at year end, more than 500,000 documents issued onto My eEquals All 47 universities scheduled to be live in 2nd half of 2018

Why Are We Doing This?



Credentials Fraud

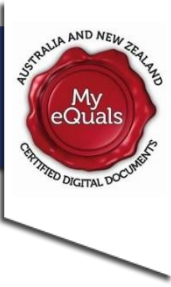
- One third of people admit to lying on their CVs
- 30-40% of CVs have discrepancies in education claims
- 10% of those have false grades
- Only 25% of students and graduates know it's illegal to lie about qualifications
- Two thirds of employers ask for degree certificates, but 76% of those assume they are legitimate and don't check with the awarding body

Source: Jayne Rowley, CEO HEDD (UK). <https://hedd.ac.uk/>



A market in Bangkok 2013

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Student Mobility

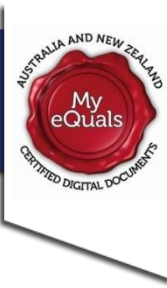
ANZ Universities are signatories of the ["Groningen Declaration"](#)

"The Groningen Declaration seeks common ground in **best serving the academic and professional mobility needs of citizens world wide** by bringing together key stakeholders in the Digital Student Data Ecosystem."

My eQuals enables:

- Secure official digital credentials documents
- Anytime, anywhere access for students and graduates
- Sharing of those documents with 3rd parties of choice
- Instant 3rd party verification through online access to the official document

Who Is Behind My eQuals?



My eQuals is a shared platform, owned by the participating universities

- Universities Australia (UA) and Universities New Zealand (UNZ) are signatories to the Groningen Declaration.
- 47 Australian and New Zealand Universities are funding My eQuals (all UA and UNZ members).
- The 47 universities (Participants) have contractually committed to My eQuals through to 2023.
- Governance forums providing oversight comprising senior university executives, representatives from Universities Australia, Universities New Zealand and TEQSA
- Higher Ed Services (HES) appointed by the participants as the Managing Organisation. HES is a non-for-profit services company of Universities Australia.
- Platform provided by Digitary, a specialist vendor of secure online credentials platform.

What Are The Benefits?

STUDENTS & GRADUATES



EMPLOYERS & OTHER THIRD PARTIES



UNIVERSITIES



SECTOR



Assurance of integrity and security of ANZ qualifications

Improved experience
accessing and sharing
documents. Ease of
moving between
universities in ANZ and
abroad. Faster decision
making by employers and
universities

Ability to provide access
to verifiable study record by
third party providers
determined by student

Speed and productivity.
Ease access and
verification of qualification
documents

**Increased trust in
authenticity** of student
records received

Speed and productivity
relating to issuing and
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documents

**Increased trust in
authenticity** of student
records received

**Simpler and more
efficient international
exchange** of credentials
documentation

**Reinforcement of the
quality and integrity of
the ANZ higher
education brand and
protection of the
industry**

2 Countries Covered (Australia and New Zealand)

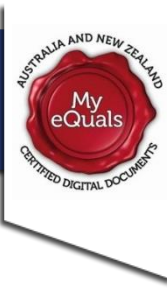
47 Participating Universities (All ANZ public Universities)

23 Universities live on My eQuals by end 2017

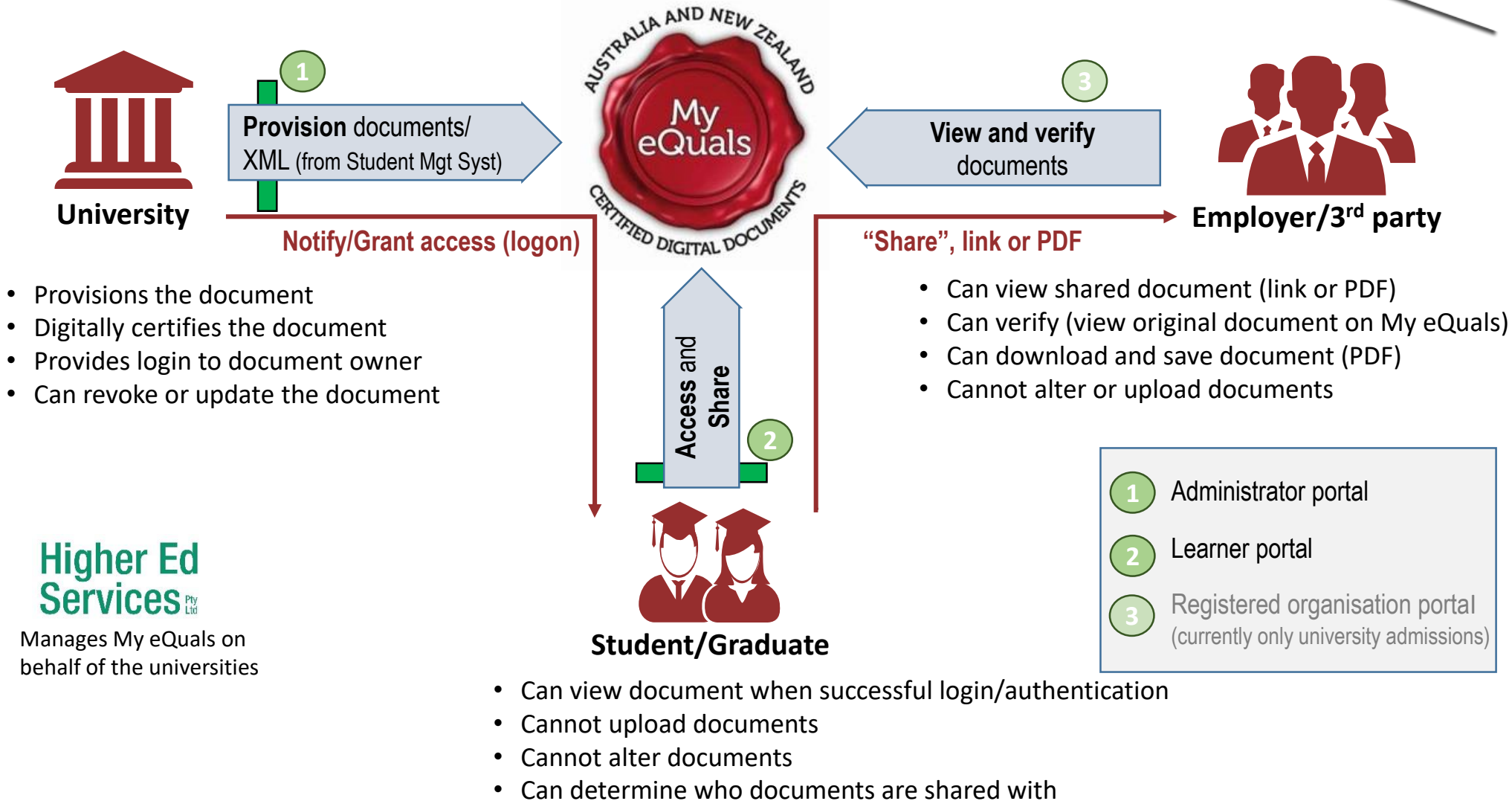
1M+ Student / Graduate when fully implemented (Aug 18)

2M+ Documents on My eQuals by August 2018

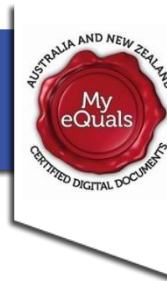
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Overview



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Receiving Documents

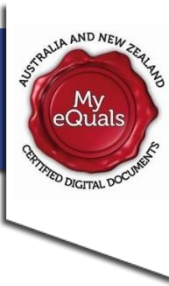
Once the university issues a document, the student or graduate decides who to share the document with.

Requesting digital documents

If you would like to receive a digital document, you have to ask the student or graduate (document owner). You have to do this outside the system, i.e. by sending an email.

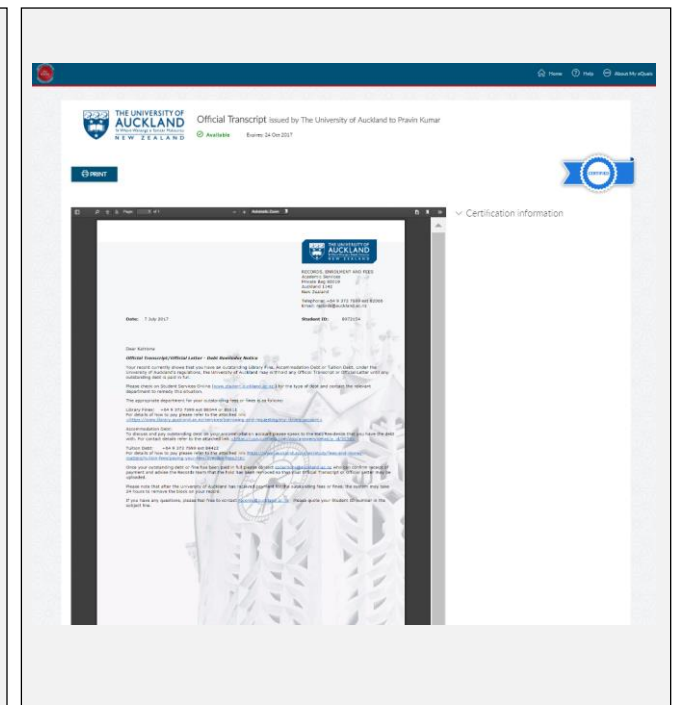
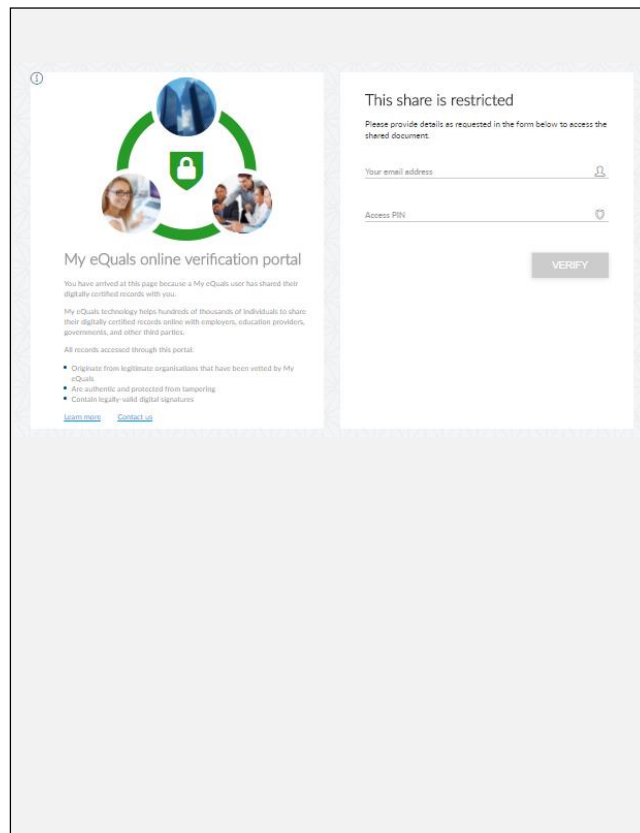
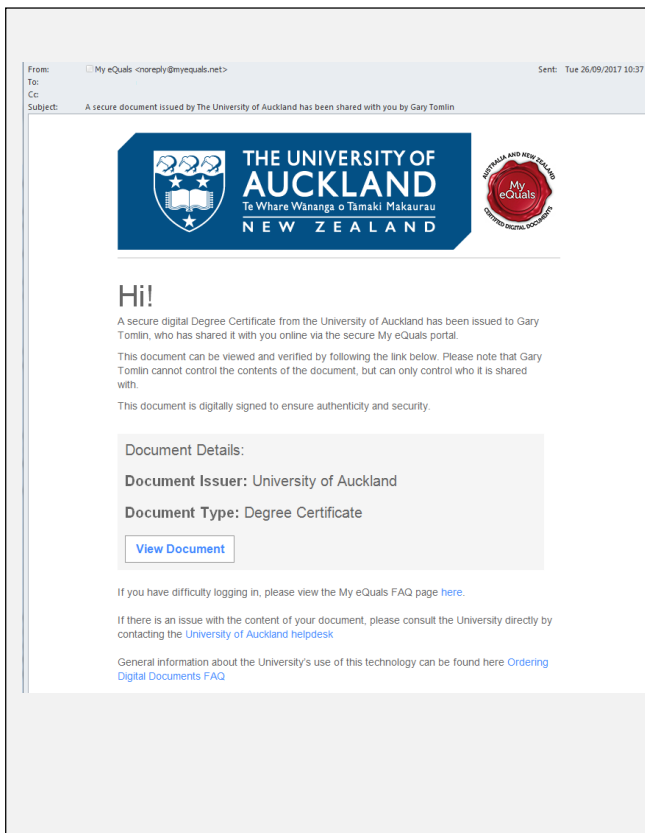
	Method	Recipient impact
①	Document owner uses “share” function in learner portal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receives a templated email from a myequals.net email address• Access verification portal to view the original document (Sample next page).
②	Document owner creates link and shares this with you in an email	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receives owner-composed email from owner’s email address.• Link takes receiver straight to original document (myequals.net).
③	Document owner downloads PDF and send it as attachment to an email	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receives owner-composed email from owner’s email address.• PDF is copy of original document. Blue ribbon signifies that document has not been altered (see viewing/verifying docs)
④	Document owner submits to “registered organisation” in learner portal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receives access to original documents via registered organisation portal (incl. custom fields, i.e. “position applied for”, “DoB”).• Currently only available for education providers

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Receiving Documents Sample – Document owner shares from the My eEquals platform

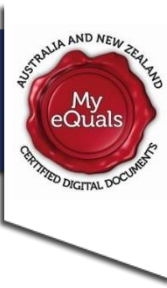
- 1 Email you receive**
Triggered by the owner
- 2 Login to verification portal**
Owner may have created PIN which you will need for login
- 3 View document**
Certified original document



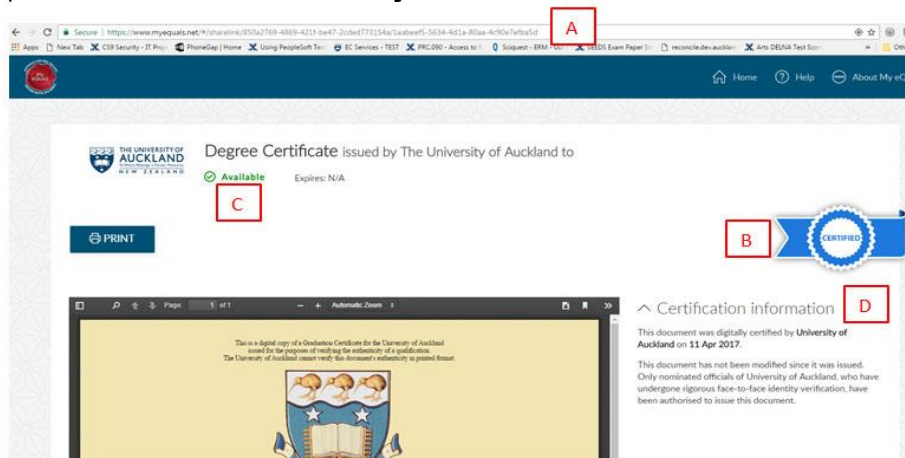
- 4 Download PDF**
As required for internal filing

How Does It Work?

Viewing and Verifying Documents

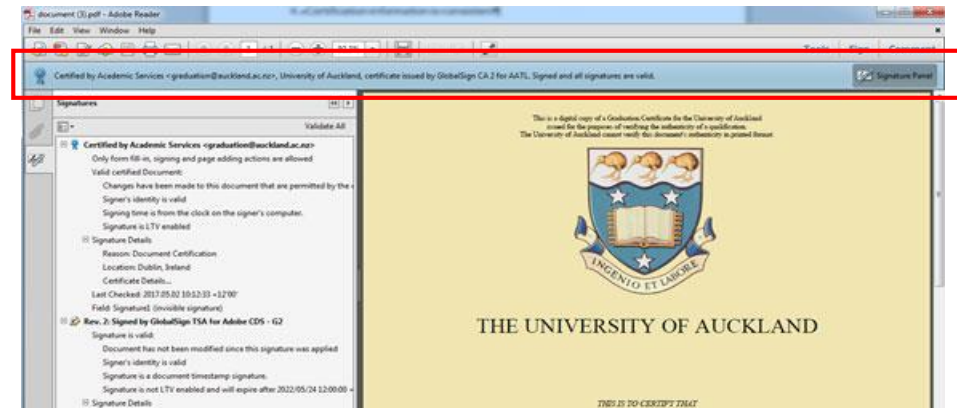


On the My eQuals Platform



- This is the **original** document issued by the university, not a third party.
- The student cannot alter the content of the document, or load documents themselves.
- The document can be **verified** as follows:
 - A** the URL should start with <https://myequals.net/>
 - B** “Certified” banner is present
 - C** Document status says ‘Available’ not ‘Revoked’ by the university
 - D** Certification information is consistent with the issuing university

PDF document



- This is the **copy of the original** document issued by the university
- Viewed in Adobe Acrobat Reader the document **blue ribbon** above the document stating: “*Certified by the issuing University... all signatures are valid*” indicates that the document has not been altered.
- **The PDF should not be relied upon for verification purposes.**
- Note other installation requirements specified in <https://www.myequals.edu.au/receiving-documents/>