



CAUTHE advocacy report

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CAUTHE has been growing its advocacy activities over the past few years. These include:

- Nominating colleagues for the ARC College of Excellence
- Meeting with key industry and government bodies such as ATIC and TRA
- Making submissions to the ABDC journal reviews
- Nominating Fellows and panel members for the ABDC review in 2019
- Making a submission to the ANZSRC review of Field of Research (FOR) codes
- Engaging with New Zealand tertiary and secondary educators and the tourism industry on secondary level tourism qualifications
- Keep a list of key contacts among our members for government agencies and industry associations.

These activities have provided substantial benefits to our field of study but have typically been ad hoc and in response to need.

In 2020 to date we have:

- Made submissions in support of the draft ANZSRC review recommendations.
- Written to the New Zealand Minister for Tourism reinforcing the importance of tourism, hospitality and events education during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Written to the Federal Minister for Tourism and the Federal Minister for Regional Tourism in Australia offering the support of CAUTHE members' expertise in supporting the tourism, hospitality and events sector in assisting the sector respond to COVID-19.
- Written to each State Minister for Tourism in Australia (except Tasmania) offering the support of our members' expertise and reiterating the importance of tourism, hospitality and events education to support these sectors going forward. We have included a list of chapter directors for each state in the communication and received correspondence back from each Minister.