

Inquiry Name: Inquiry into Expanding Melbourne's Free Tram Zone

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As a university student I believe that extending the free tram zone to universities is an important step towards helping students access their education. We're a vulnerable group of people, with many of us living below the poverty line or just struggling to make ends meet. Financial difficulties is one of the largest hurdles facing students of our time and I personally have been affected by the anxiety and stress that comes with not being able to afford the cost of transport. It can be debilitating, especially for my international peers who have to pay double what I do. Ultimately, the goal of alleviating the plight of unaffordable transport would be solved by providing ALL students - domestic, international, graduate and postgraduate - with free public transport, or at the very least concessions.

A free tram network would also be a great way to encourage people in general to use a more economic and green form of transport, while helping to reduce congestion during peak hours. Really, what this city needs are more trams and free transport.

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