

University of Southern Queensland response to questions from The Australian:

USQ requires all staff to comply with Conflict of Interest and Outside Employment policies and reporting.

USQ requires staff to declare any external income, or any employment with another employer. USQ is committed to meeting all its compliance obligations.

Professor Hao Wang says he is not (and has never been) part of the Thousand Talents plan. He was part of the Overseas Scholars Visiting Program (Zhejiang Province) at Jiaying University until the end of 2018. This involved two two-month visits to China each year over a three-year period.

USQ has an MOU with Jiaying University regarding joint PhD programs.

There are no patents for consideration.

Professor Hao Wang has been awarded Australian Research Council funding to develop world-first fire-retardant thermal insulation foams for safer buildings.

He is also part of a national research hub which is focused on reducing the amount of waste going to landfill and how to utilise waste products in new materials for construction and other manufacturing sectors.