

Dear Agents,

We hope this letter finds you well. We are writing to inform you about recent updates regarding immigration policies affecting language schools in Cebu and Manila. There has been confusion surrounding the new policy introduced by the Cebu City Immigration Bureau regarding the issuance of SSP E-Cards and changes to SSP expiration dates. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by the delay in relaying this information; however, we have now gathered accurate details to share with you.

1. SSP E-CARD, SSP, and ACR I-Card

Please be advised that the SSP E-CARD, SSP, and ACR I-Card are distinct entities with separate fees:

- SSP E-CARD: New students as of June 17th must apply for an SSP E-CARD concurrently with their SSP application. The cost for this card is 4,000 pesos, and it is valid for one year.
- ACR I-CARD: This card remains necessary for students studying for 9 weeks or more, costing 3,500 pesos.

We kindly request that you inform prospective students about the additional 4,000 pesos for the SSP E-CARD.

Please be aware that the policy regarding SSP E-CARDs may vary between Cebu City and other regions. We are actively seeking clarification on this matter and will update you accordingly.

2. Reissuance of SSP for Study Period Extensions

The validity period of the Special Study Permit (SSP) has been modified as follows:

- · Previous: 6 months
- Change: Issued according to the study period + Submission of return flight ticket for study periods of 12 weeks or more. For local study period extensions, reissuance of SSP is required (with an additional payment of 6,800 pesos).

For students enrolling next week, please note the following:

- 1. Submit an air ticket if your study period is 12 weeks or longer (during the first week of enrollment).
- 2. Reissue your SSP for study period extensions (with an additional payment of 6,800 pesos).

Important Note: If you plan to study abroad for an extended period and your ticket is for less than 30 days, we recommend either:

- 1. Purchasing a return ticket within 30 days + a return ticket for the study period.
- 2. Entering the country with a return ticket within 30 days and adjusting the dates during the first week of enrollment to match your study period.

We would like to remind you that while these policies are currently in effect for Cebu and Manila, Baguio Immigration has not yet implemented these changes. Therefore, we kindly request your cooperation in informing students that changes may occur without prior notice. We will continue to monitor the situation closely and provide updates as necessary.

Thank you for your understanding and assistance in this matter.

Warm regards,