

Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION



MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON

TO

CHED REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS AND

OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE/PRESIDENTS/HEADS OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AUTHORIZED TO ADMIT FOREIGN

STUDENTS

SUBJECT

ADVISORY: ADDITIONAL COVERAGE OF THE INTERIM GUIDELINES FOR THE ENTRY, RE-ENTRY AND STAY OF FOREIGN STUDENTS IN

THE PHILIPPINES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

DATE

March 21, 2022

This is in relation to the Memorandum from the Office of the Chairperson on the Initial List of Higher Education Institutions that Can Deliver Online Learning to New Foreign Students While They Are Still in their Home Countries for 1st Semester, Academic Year 2020-2021 dated July 14, 2020 and the Interim Guidelines for the Entry, Re-Entry and Stay of Foreign Students in the Philippines During the COVID-19 Pandemic approved for issuance per CEB Resolution No. 693-2021.

Please be informed that the guidelines apply to foreign students with expired student visas while in their home countries and new foreign students who are admitted by the Philippine higher education institutions while in their home countries.

For new foreign students who will now enter the Philippines for participation in the limited face-to-face classes, they will have to comply with the requirements and observe the procedures as laid down in the said Interim Guidelines.

Please be informed further that based on Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) Resolution 160-B dated February 3, 2022, foreign nationals/students from the visa-free countries entering the Philippines for business and tourism purposes are not covered by the Interim Guidelines. Hence, they may enter the country without the entry exemption document (EED) from CHED.

For guidance of all concerned.

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