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RECENT EVENTS

DECEMBER 23: CHRISTMAS GIFTS & SNACKS GIVEAWAY #NEWNORMAL ON CHRISTMAS DAY

On December 23rd, 2020 IAC organized Christmas gift and snacks giveaway for Thai & international staff and students in front of the IAC office. Around 100 people showed up to this festive event according to the stated times to accommodate everybody while also observing the new normal measures. They were happy and enjoyed getting a free Christmas gift from Santa.



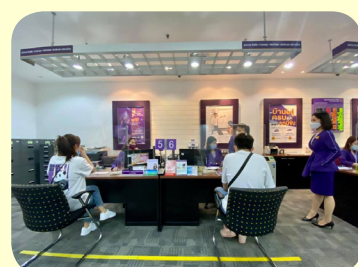
DECEMBER 24: SEASON'S GREETING FROM PSU PHUKET

On December 24th, 2020 Asst. Prof. Pensiri Akkajit, Ph.D., Assistant President for International Affairs, and representatives from the International Affairs Centre (IAC), on behalf of PSU Phuket, presented New Year's gifts to the Provincial Employment Office and Phuket Immigration Office as a token of our appreciation for their continued support and assistance throughout the years.



DECEMBER 19-24: ORIENTATION WEEK FOR GUOKAI EDUCATION GROUP STUDENTS, CHINA

On December 19th, 2020 IAC staff picked up the students from Guokai Education Group from China at Phuket International Airport to study full time at PSU Phuket. On December 21st, 2020, Asst. Prof. Pensiri Akkajit, Ph.D., Assistant President for International Affairs, Dr. Pittaya Limbut, FIS lecturer and IAC staff warmly welcomed new Guokai full-time students at the Meeting Room, 3rd floor of the President's Office Building (Bldg. 7). Around 15 people attended this orientation and IAC staff gave presentations about PSU Phuket campus life, safety and cultural tips, and immigration information. The orientation was concluded with a group photo and a campus tour. On December 21st-24th, 2020, IAC staff assisted the new students such as opening bank accounts, buying student uniform and accessories, taking student photos, paying for the student dormitory, and shopping for essential things at shopping malls.



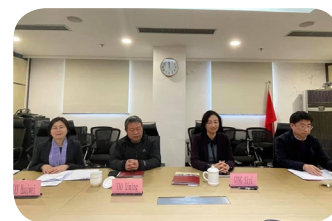
JANUARY 4 & 6: ORIENTATION FOR NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

On January 4th & 6th, 2021 IAC gave an introductory presentation about PSU Phuket and immigration information for a group of 13 new international students both full time & exchange who will be studying at PSU Phuket for a few years & a semester. The full time students are from Japan doing 2+2 program, the exchange students are from Belgium, Finland, Ireland and Switzerland under the International Study Programme, Phuket (ISPP) and other student exchange programs. The IAC also organized a short campus as part of the orientation program visiting the offices and facilities on campus, as well as purchasing student uniforms and accessories in Phuket Town.



JANUARY 19: 9TH BOARD MEETING OF THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE AT PHUKET AND MOU SIGNING CEREMONY BETWEEN SHANGHAI UNIVERSITY AND PRINCE OF SONGKLA UNIVERSITY, PHUKET CAMPUS

On January 19th, 2021, the Confucius Institute at Phuket (CIP) hosted a virtual 9th Board Meeting of the Confucius Institute at Phuket and an MOU signing ceremony between Shanghai University (SHU) and PSU Phuket. The board meeting was officially opened with welcoming speeches given by Prof. Gong Siyi, Vice President of SHU and Chairperson for CIP Board of Advisors, and followed by Assoc. Prof. Pun Thongchumnum, Ph.D., Vice President for PSU Phuket Campus. Around 10 people attended this online meeting including the committees and representatives from both universities. During the meeting, Dr. Yang Wenbo, Director of CIP, presented the 2020 annual report & 2021 work plan, as well as discussed about further collaboration such as master's degree program in international trade. The virtual meeting was concluded with an MOU Signing Ceremony between the two universities. The MOU focuses on Chinese language teaching programs and related studies, language and cultural exchange activities, training Chinese language teachers, developing Chinese language education resources, organizing accreditation tests on Chinese language and culture, and other related activities/academic support. The virtual meeting was officially closed after the closing speech given by the Chairperson and a group photo taking from both universities.



JANUARY 20 & 27: HALF-DAY PHUKET SIGHTSEEING EXCURSION

On January 20th & 27th, 2021, IAC organized a half-day trip in Phuket visiting tourist attractions such as: Nai Harn Beach, Promthep Cape, the Big Buddha and Kata Beach. Each trip was limited to 14 international students and accompanied by 2 IAC staff using 2 PSU Phuket vans. We were lucky to have a nice weather on both trips so everybody can enjoy the sunshine and the beach.



ONGOING EVENTS

PSU Phuket's International Alumni Needed!



*Here is the link to share with us your experience & life quotes:
Scan below!



>>IAC is asking for your cooperation to share experience and life quotes after College.

Go to PSU Phuket English website, **Alumni page: Scan here!**



****The record of short video is also welcome & accepted to share. You can send via email to iacpsu@phuket.psu.ac.th or iacpsu@gmail.com**

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS IN FEBRUARY 2021



12 February 2021, Friday
Chinese New Year
(Extra Holiday)

26 February 2021, Friday
Makha Bucha Day

***PSU and governmental services will be closed on these days.**

For more information on 2021 Thai Holidays & Festivals:
Scan QR code here...!

Source: <https://en.psu.ac.th/international/holidays-and-festivals>



On behalf of IAC PSU Phuket!

We wish you an Auspicious Spring Festival. May the Year of the Cow attract all the best wishes, good health, good luck and happiness throughout the cheery Chinese New Year! May peace and love fill your heart, beauty fills your world and contentment and joy fill your days. May all your New Year dreams come true!

IMMIGRATION MATTERS



As a foreign national living in Thailand, it is your responsibility to always follow and obey the Thai Immigration rules and regulations. IAC is here to provide support and assistance and shall not be held responsible or liable for any fees incurred due to your negligence.



90-day reporting: Holders of single-entry visa (figure 1) or extension of stay (figure 2) must report to the Immigration Office every 90 days in person (15 days before to 7 days after the due date) or via online (between 7-15 days before the due date).
FINE: 2,000 baht for late reporting up to 5,000 baht if you get arrested.

Holders of multiple-entry visa do not need to do this but must leave Thailand every 90 days instead.
FINE: 500 baht overstay fee per day if fail to exit Thailand after the 90th day.

Address registration update: You must update your address registration within 24 hours of arrival when you: a) exit and re-enter Thailand, or b) move to new place of residence, or c) stay at a place other than your registered residence for any overnight stays even for only one night. Keep the proof of registration in your passport at all times.
WARNING: Letting the extension of stay expire on its own or leaving the country without canceling it DOES NOT automatically cancel your extension of stay. Failure to cancel your extension of stay will result in your future extension of stay application being denied by the Immigration Office. You may also be fined with overstay fee if you stayed in Thailand after the last date of your employment or study.



作为居住在泰国的外籍人士，您有责任始终遵守泰国移民局的相关法律法规。IAC (国际事务处) 将为您提供支持和帮助，但不为因您个人疏忽而产生的任何后果承担责任。



90天规则: 持单次入境签证(如图1)或延期停留许可(如图2)的人士，须每90天亲自(到期前15天至到期后7天内)或通过网络(到期前7至15天)向当地移民局进行申报。
罚款: 如未按规定期限内进行90天报到，您将处以2000泰铢的罚款; 如因此被拘留，最高罚款可达5000泰铢。

持多次入境签证的人士无须进行90天报到，但必须每90天从泰国出境一次。
罚款: 如未按规定在90天内出境泰国，您将处以每日500泰铢的逾期停留罚款。

地址登记: 您必须在入境泰国后的24小时内向相关部门登记您的住址，包含以下三种情况: (1) 出境后重新入境泰国; (2) 搬到新的居住地; (3) 在您登记的常住地址以外的地方过夜，即使过夜时间只有一晚。地址登记证明应附在您的护照上，请妥善保管。
更新: 如您不在校内居住，请联系您的房东在网上或由您本人到移民局为进行地址登记。国际交流生请到IAC进行地址登记。

Asian International Mobility for Students (AIMS) Programme 2021

September 2021 - January 2022



AIMS Universities

INDONESIA	MALAYSIA	THE PHILIPPINES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BINUS University Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Universiti Teknologi MARA Universiti Malaysia Sabah Universiti Malaysia Terengganu 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of the Philippines University of Santo Tomas Lyceum of the Philippines University
<p>Application Period NOW - 11 FEBRUARY 2021</p>	<p>More Program Information https://aims-rhied.net/</p>	<p>Scan and Download Application</p>
<p>Send applications at International Affairs Centre (IAC), President's Office (building7), 2nd floor. Email: iacpsu@gmail.com Tel: 076276096-7</p>		

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Must be done 15 days BEFORE the 90 day due date stamped in your passport.

IMPORTANT: Full-time International Staff and Students, please remember to check your passport to see when you must DO your 90 day report EITHER ONLINE (15 days before due date) or at the Immigration Office in Phuket Town.