

MEDIA RELEASE

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Cancellation of ALG Education Centre's Registration

1. The Council for Private Education (CPE) has cancelled the ALG Education Centre's (ALG) deemed registration with effect from 16 June 2011 on the following grounds:

- a. Its manager had contravened the following sections of the Act
 - i. Section 62(4): Failure to furnish the CPE with information in compliance with a Requisition Order; and
 - ii. Section 41(1)(d)(iii): Failure to inform the CPE that legal proceedings had been instituted against ALG within 14 days after being served with the originating process,
- b. ALG had withheld information that its external degree programme partner, Daemen College, had terminated the partnership, and ALG had also not made any effort to help the students caught out by the termination.

2. With the cancellation, ALG will no longer be able to offer private education programmes in Singapore. The CPE's priority is to ensure that all affected ALG students are able to continue with their studies. There are 27 students on ALG's record. These students are largely enrolled in the Bachelor of Science (Business Administration – Marketing), and general English courses.

3. A place-out exercise has been initiated and the Council is working with four EduTrust-certified private education institutions (PEIs) to place these students in programmes of similar disciplines. The PEIs are AEC College, ERC Institute, Informatics Academy, and TMC Academy. The CPE is contacting the affected students to extend its assistance.

4. A briefing for students will be held by the Council on 21 June 2011, 2pm at the CPE Student Services Centre to apprise them of the cancellation, the placement options, and reassure them of assistance.

5. The placement exercise will be held on 27 June 2011, 2pm to 5pm at the CPE Student Services Centre where receiving PEIs will conduct admission evaluations. Students are reminded to bring the following documents as proof that they are currently enrolled with ALG:

- Personal identification (IC, student pass or passport)
 - Student contract
 - Payment receipt (or any form of payment proof)
 - Any past academic results and certificates attained before and during ALG studies
6. Students may approach the CPE Student Service Centre if they have questions or need assistance regarding emplacement.
7. The contact details of the CPE are:

CPE Student Services Centre
1 Orchard Road (YMCA Building), #01-01, Singapore 238834
Tel: 6592 2108
Email: CPE_CONTACT@cpe.gov.sg

About the Council for Private Education

The Council for Private Education (CPE) is a statutory board established in December 2009 to regulate the private education industry. The Council has implemented two schemes – the mandatory Enhanced Registration Framework and the EduTrust Certification scheme – to uplift and maintain standards in the private education sector. Besides its role as a sectoral regulator, the Council also provides student services and public education through its Student Services Centre, and promotes the development of the private education industry. For more information, please visit the CPE website at <http://www.cpe.gov.sg/>.

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