

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS on the COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM (CSP) of DLS-CSB

### 1. IS THE COMMUNITY SERVICE (CS) SAME AS THE NSTP-CWTS/ROTC/LTS?

**A: NO!** THE NSTP-CWTS/ROTC/LTS IS DIFFERENT FROM CS. With the promulgation of RA 9163 (otherwise known as NSTP Act of 2001) in 2002, ALL FILIPINOS IN ANY COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY are required to take NSTP as an Academic requirement as PART OF THE TERTIARY EDUCATION. On the other hand, the CS is an INSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENT and thus is only implemented in DLS-CSB. The CSP is a social formation program offered only in CSB and a parallel program to the NSTP.

### 2. WHO ARE ASKED TO TAKE THE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM?

**A:**

- Transferees - who did not take NSTP-CWTS 1 and 2 in DLS-CSB;
- Transferees - non-NSTP-CWTS students, those who opted to take ROTC (Reserved Officer Training Course) and LTS (Literacy Training Service);
- DSL-CSB students with ID numbers 101 and below;
- International students - who are exempted, by virtue of law, to take NSTP 1 & 2.

### 3. IS THE CS A *PRE-REQUISITE* TO GRADUATION?

**A: YES!** The Student Handbook explicitly mentions:

Section 1, Paragraph 3.4 (Completion of All Curricular Requirements): As DLS-CSB advocates a well-rounded education for its learners, students must fulfill all their academic requirements and complete all the other institutional programs such as retreats and recollections, community service, initial and exit interviews, and the National Service Training Program (NSTP) and all its modified forms or alternatives. These are requisites for graduation.

Section 4, Paragraph 1.4 (Graduation Requirements): Only students who have successfully completed all the requirements for their academic courses and have satisfactorily complied with the Community Service, NSTP, retreats and recollections, and initial and exit interviews shall be eligible for graduation.

### 4. HOW LONG IS THE CS TAKEN BY THE MENTIONED TYPE OF STUDENTS?

**A:** Technically, the CS is a **ONE** Term engagement BUT can be taken **any** Term during his/her student life. Preferably, s/he takes it any term before his/her last school year (SY) since the last SY is the "busiest" SY for any student.

The CS is implemented during **SATURDAYS only** and every enlisted student should accomplish 24 Hours of CS (**Consecutive 8 SATURDAYS after the one-day CS Orientation Seminar. 3 HOURS per Saturday**). Every enlisted CS student has the option to take the 3 HOUR CS fixed either in the Morning or Afternoon.

For 1<sup>st</sup> Term/SY 2012-2013, the Manual Enlistment at CSA will be from May 16-30, 2012. CSP Orientation Seminar is on June 9, 2012, (Venue & Time to be confirmed during the Manual Enlistment Period).

### 5. HOW DO I TAKE MY CS?

**A:** Take note that students simply **ENLIST** at **CSA** and not **ENROLL** it at the Registrar's Office. Enlistment is **usually the 1<sup>st</sup> TWO WEEKS** of any Term and transactions are done inside the CSA. Students will be given documents, instructions and schedules upon enlistment.

For further Inquires, please visit the CSA at the Left Wing, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Br. Miguel Febres Cordero Building, Taft Campus or you may call us at 5267441 locals 258/266