DACA, Dreamers, and the Impact on Higher Education: Resources for Faculty and Discussion
Faculty Forum
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Did you know?

- Over 800,000 individuals are estimated to be DACA eligible
- Launched by executive order in 2012, and rescinded effective March 5, 2018. Renewals no longer being accepted.
- Every year, about 65,000 undocumented young people graduate from our nation’s high schools (American Immigration Council)
- National leaders in higher education, business and government have supported continuation of DACA and/or immigration reform
- NC had the highest rate of application for DACA in the first two years of the program (Latino Migration Project). About 66,000 eligible in 2016
- DACA recipients had a college persistence rate of 95% (Superintendent’s Letter to Congress)
- DACA recipient workers found in medium and high skilled occupations relative to unauthorized immigrants (Migration Policy Institute, 2017). https://www.migrationpolicy.org/research/education-and-work-profiles-daca-population
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Goals of the Forum

• Raise awareness and share information
• Consider faculty and staff roles and responsibilities for students
• Learn about community resources that can assist you, students or people you know regarding DACA and impact with respect to higher education, security or safety, or mental health
Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals was rescinded and is expiring March 5, 2018
Permits to work are expiring
Advocacy and support of DACA recipients and immigrant communities
Churches offer sanctuary to deportation
Deportations occurring
Legal clinics are being funded with nonprofit dollars
Legislation
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• UNCG Alianza is an organization of employees who examine issues impacting Hispanic and Latino faculty, staff and students, and who promote campus activities around Hispanic and Latino culture and community.
• Connect with anyone from today’s discussion
• Additional legal and contextual analysis of DACA https://balkin.blogspot.com/2017/10/a-primer-on-daca-rescission.html