



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

73RD STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 15

Primary Sponsor: Tackett, Ramos

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Whereas: President Biden has just signed a presidential memorandum directing homeland security to take major actions in preserving and fortifying the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. The DACA program shields undocumented immigrants who came to the US as children from deportation as well as gives these children the access to education and work permits. All new applicants are at least 15 years of age, making them near or of college age.

Whereas: This program was halted under the Trump administration in 2017 leaving many to lose their DACA status because they were unable to apply or have it reinstated after expiration. Being that this program will be reinstated and allow for new and old applicants to apply there will be a influx of undocumented and DACA recipient students on Florida State's campus; which is not a sanctuary campus because of S.B. 168 (2019).

Whereas: 24,810 DACA recipients live in Florida as of March 2020 and more than one-fifth of all Florida residents are immigrants making up 10% of the United States total immigrant population. Florida is a melting pot of diversity and is the third largest state population of immigrants in the United States.

Whereas: Undocumented and immigrants student populations are more likely than non-immigrant and domestic born students to face economic hardships concerning exploitation of labor and higher tuition costs in the community and on campus. Undocumented students do not have access to FAFSA Grants and other federally funded programs or grants at the university.

Whereas: Undocumented and Immigrant students face issues of harassment and discrimination on campus. This will continue to rise as the number of DACA applicants grows under the current federal administration. Specifically, the forced exposure of immigration status in administrative paperwork at the university instills anxiety and can lead to discrimination by students or staff.

Be it resolved by the Seventy-third Student Senate at Florida State University that:

A DREAM Center be established on campus for Immigrant and Undocumented students. This center should provide legal services, student mentorship, financial-aid help, specialized mental health counseling, academic advising, and amenities.

Be it further resolved that: Undocumented and DACA students should immediately receive access to an individualized computer lab and tutoring until the DREAM Center is established. These resources should be shared by another department or center that has the funding and availability to support these students under this temporary timeframe.

Be it further resolved that: A Immigrant and Undocumented Student Task Force be established in the Office of Diversity and Inclusion that focuses on resolving the issues stated above and confronting new issues as they arise in the future.

Be it further resolved that: Undocumented and Immigrant students at FSU are often an intersectional group of marginalized individuals from all across the globe, and any taskforce or center established to aid their academic experience at Florida State University must recognize this fact and not discriminate over a students country/region of origin.

Be it further resolved that: The Florida State University Police Department should not cooperate with the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on any investigation or operation.

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ACCLIMATION
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