Dear Graduate Students,

I was disappointed and dismayed by the recent announcement by the Trump administration to rescind the DACA program. This decision directly conflicts with the core values of the University of California, which emphasize diversity, equity, and inclusion. Chancellor Henry T. Yang and the entire UCSB community are committed to working with other universities and members of Congress to advocate for our students. Please read Chancellor Yang’s message of support at http://bit.ly/2xbsz6P

I am concerned for all members of our community that may be impacted by this and I urge any graduate students whom this touches to reach out to the Graduate Division, as well as to the resources referred to in this document, for assistance and support.

Dr. Carol Genetti
Anne and Michael Towbes Graduate Dean

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA PRESIDENT

University of California President Janet Napolitano released the following statement addressing the decision to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

“The University and the state of California stand together in our belief that students should be admitted to UC and other institutions of higher education based on their records of achievement and without regard to their immigration status. President Trump’s decision undermines the ability of affected students to support themselves while at UC or other universities. In light of today’s decision, I am immediately directing my advisory committee on undocumented students to determine how best to support and protect University of California students who rely on DACA over the next six months and beyond. In the meantime, UC will continue to offer services to our undocumented students, including:

* Continuing to allow California residents who are Dreamers to pay in-state tuition;
* Maintaining the DREAM loan program for financial aid;
* Offering legal services to our undocumented students;
* Supporting campus-based student service centers; and
* Directing campus police not to contact, detain, question or arrest individuals based on suspected undocumented status, or to enter agreements to undertake joint efforts to make arrests for federal immigration law violations.

The University of California will continue to stand with Dreamers and their supporters as we fight to keep the program alive.”

To read the complete statement from UC President Napolitano, CLICK HERE.
UPCOMING DACA INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS AND EVENTS AT UCSB

Do you have questions about DACA? UCSB Undocumented Student Services (USS) will hold several webinars and events to provide information regarding legal services, financial aid, USS resources, and updates regarding DACA and legislation regarding immigrant youth.

**THURSDAY, September 7**
USS Community Gathering
6 p.m.
Monarch Lounge, Student Resources Building

**FRIDAY, September 8**
USS Community Forum
1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Multipurpose Room, Student Resources Building

**FRIDAY, September 8**
USS Community Gathering
12 noon - 2 p.m.
Monarch Lounge, Student Resources Building

**WEDNESDAY, September 13**
UC Immigrant Legal Services Webinar
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
To register for this FREE webinar CLICK HERE

UCSB GRADUATE DIVISION ACADEMIC COUNSELING SERVICES

UCSB Graduate Division Academic Counselor Ryan Sims, is available to support students with in-person meetings, phone meetings, and workshops. Call or email for an appointment at 805-893-2068 or ryan.sims@graddiv.ucsb.edu

UCSB GRADUATE STUDENT RESOURCE CENTER

Get in touch with our diversity peers at the Graduate Student Resource Center at the ground floor of the Student Resources Building. For more information, call (805) 893-8994 or visit the GradPost.
UCSB STUDENT AFFAIRS
CAMPUS UPDATES, RESOURCES, AND SERVICES

UCSB Undocumented Student Services (USS)
USS continues to plan ahead for the academic year. There ARE NO CHANGES to California’s AB 540 (in-state tuition law) and CA Dream Act Application (access to apply for state and institutional aid). Students who receive in-state and institutional financial aid through the CA Dream Act will continue to apply for financial aid & receive in-state funds available to them. However, changes to DACA might impact work-study fund allocations and we will continue to update you regarding this specific type of aid.

For the latest information regarding DACA, work permits, student support, and other questions about the program, CLICK HERE to check the Dream Scholars/Undocumented Students updates page. For more information on USS services, contact diana.valdivia@sa.ucsb.edu or call (805) 708-4739.

UC Immigration Legal Services Center
Free legal services for students and their immediate families remain available through USS’ partnership with the UC Immigration Legal Services Center. Please contact Diana Valdivia, UCSB USS Coordinator at (805) 708-4739 for appointment information.

USS and Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) Empowerment Circle
In collaboration with USS, CAPS created the Empowerment Circle, a support group specifically for Dream Scholars, facilitated by Melissa Cordero, PsyD. Meetings occur every Thursday, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., beginning Week 3 of every quarter. For the location, email diana.valdivia@sa.ucsb.edu. For 24/7 support, contact the CAPS hotline: (805) 893-4411.

Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)
The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) is committed to providing a support and information base that validates each student’s experience and nurtures a sense of participation, belonging and empowerment. Visit the EOP office at 2210 SRB or call (805) 893-4758.

MultiCultural Center (MCC)
The MCC is a safe space for students and the UCSB community, and provides staff support for student organizations in an advisory capacity, including event support and co-sponsorship. Contact MCC staff at (805) 893-8411.

CARE Advocates
For confidential advocacy and support to students, staff and faculty, call (805) 893-4613 to schedule an appointment.

Office of Student Life (OSL)
For advising regarding advocacy, visit the OSL office on the SRB 2nd Floor or call (805) 893-4569.

Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity (RCSGD)
Visit the RCSGD on the 3rd Floor of the SRB, or call (805) 893-5847.