DREAMers of Education

- DREAM Act (Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors)
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program
- In Michigan, approximately 15,000 people would potentially qualify or have enrolled for DACA
- 65,000 undocumented students graduate from high school annually in the US
- This extrapolates to roughly 3,800—7,600 undocumented college graduates nationally.
- Federal loans, though, are not available
- Undocumented students are civically engaged and give back to their communities.
- The following schools are considered DACA-friendly:
  - Western Michigan University
  - Michigan Technological University
  - Hope College
  - University of Detroit
  - Eastern Michigan University
  - Olivet College
  - Marygrove College
  - Grand Valley State University
- The following schools offer in-state tuition to undocumented students meeting Michigan residency requirements:
  - Eastern Michigan University
  - Wayne State University
  - The University of Michigan

MSU Mission Statement

As a public, research-intensive, land-grant university funded in part by the state of Michigan, our mission is to advance knowledge and transform lives by:

- providing outstanding undergraduate, graduate, and professional education to promising, qualified students in order to prepare them to contribute fully to society as globally engaged citizen leaders
• conducting research of the highest caliber that seeks to answer questions and create solutions in order to expand human understanding and make a positive difference, both locally and globally

• advancing outreach, engagement, and economic development activities that are innovative, research-driven, and lead to a better quality of life for individuals and communities, at home and around the world

College of Human Medicine Mission Statement

Michigan State University’s College of Human Medicine is committed to educating exemplary physicians and scholars, discovering and disseminating new knowledge, and providing service at home and abroad. We enhance our communities by providing outstanding primary and specialty care, promoting the dignity and inclusion of all people, and responding to the needs of the medically underserved.

“My personal ethics compel me to want to help these people if for no other reason than their personal merits and potential to our society.

If we believe that DACA enrollees possess value in our society, giving them the opportunity to apply and qualify for in-state tuition is the first step in recognizing this potential.

What has to occur to initiate/continue a dialogue on behalf of this marginalized (but with untapped potential) community? Can we agree to work towards this inclusive goal at MSU?”

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