Living Undocumented
High School, College, and Beyond

Documentary Lesson Plan and Resource Guide
www.LivingUndocumented.com
Dear Educator,

We created the short 17-minute documentary, *Living Undocumented: High School, College, and Beyond*, to provide teachers and guidance counselors a tool for educating all students about the realities, challenges and opportunities available to undocumented youth in New York and beyond. The film is also intended for undocumented students to view before they embark on the college application process. You can access the documentary on the film’s website, [www.LivingUndocumented.com](http://www.LivingUndocumented.com) and on the NYCDOE’s Office of English Language Learner’s website. At both sites, you will also be able to download all the contents of this packet.

To prepare students to view the film and grapple with the content, we created an accompanying lesson plan (pp. 4-7 and Appendix A-C). Although the film is in English (Spanish subtitles are in the works), we have prepared the anticipatory guide in English and Spanish, and we hope you will encourage students to discuss the content in their home languages. Although the film and lesson can easily be completed in one class period, we urge you to spend more time on this important issue that continues to dominate the nation’s attention and directly impacts so many of our students and families.

In addition to a lesson plan, we have compiled a set of resources for educators and students. Most of the resources (Appendix D-J) are primarily for educators and guidance counselors to be shared with specific students. There is a resource brochure for all students as well (Appendix K).

We hope this film and the accompanying resources better equip you to educate and advocate for immigrant youth. We welcome your feedback and are also open to coming to schools for screenings of the film, followed by a Q&A session with some of the film’s Dreamers. Please contact us at: LivingUndocumented@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

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Living Undocumented: High School, College, & Beyond
The Lesson Plan to Accompany the Documentary

Level: Secondary
Topic: Undocumented Immigrants and Youth
Language(s): English with options for Spanish and additional home languages
Timeframe: 1 hour

1. Rationale: Living Undocumented is a documentary created for all high school students to view in their advisory, social studies or college preparation courses. This lesson plan is intended to prepare students to view the documentary, reflect on the key concepts and then extend their learning through additional projects.

2. New York State Common Core Standard(s): SL 1.C/1.D (Grades 6-12)
   - c. Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
   - d. Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

3. Objectives:
   - Content -
     • Develop an understanding of the realities of undocumented youth with a focus on:
       o How undocumented immigrants self-identify
       o The impact of labels
       o Ways of becoming undocumented
       o The psycho-social effect of immigration status
       o Higher education opportunities and challenges
       o Immigration reform programs and policies
       o Support systems
       o Opportunities for advocacy

   - Language Functions and Structures -
     • Describe personal beliefs: I feel that____, I have seen_____, From my experiences_____
     • Cite evidence: In the film______, The documentary showed______, It was stated that_____

4. Key Vocabulary/Concepts:
   • Undocumented Immigrants
   • Illegal
   • Status
   • Advocacy
5. Materials

- For Teacher: *Living Undocumented* video, Technology for viewing the video (Smartboard, Laptop/LCD Projector/Speakers, etc.), Traffic Signs (Appendix A), Resource Guide and Documents (Appendix D-J)
- For Students: Anticipatory Guide (Appendix B/English and/or Appendix C/Spanish), Resource Brochure (Appendix K)

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<th>What Teacher Will Do</th>
<th>What Students Will Do</th>
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| 6. Motivation/Connection | • Show students (either on a screen or handout) the photos of two typical traffic signs (Appendix A.1). Ask about their purpose and use.  
• Show traffic sign A.2 and explain that it is typically seen in states such as California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas.  
• Ask students to think about what this sign could mean, if they’ve seen this sign before and if so, in what context.  
• Explain that traffic sign A.3 is used in US-Mexico Border States to make drivers aware of immigrants crossing the border by foot. It has become a well-recognized symbol both for and against immigrants crossing to the U.S. from Mexico. It was created after immigrants were hit running across freeways near San Diego, CA in the 1990s. The designer noted that it signifies more than just running away, but a larger struggle.  
• Ask students what they already know about undocumented immigrants and create a semantic map of their responses. | • Conclude that the purpose of these signs is to make drivers aware of something.  
• Discuss if this is a familiar sign and how/if it is similar and different to the other two signs.  
• In pairs brainstorm prior knowledge about undocumented immigrants and then share their understandings with the class. |
### 7. Procedures

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| 10 minutes | - Pass out the anticipatory guide (Appendix B in English and/or Appendix C in Spanish) and review the directions.  
- Model the first statement and where to agree/disagree and list a rationale.  
- If time permit, go over some students’ views and rationales.  
- Prepare students to watch *Living Undocumented*. Explain that as they watch the video they should gather evidence on the “post-video” section of the anticipatory guide that supports or refutes the statements in the anticipatory guide.  
- Show the film.  
- Instruct students to revisit the “post-video” section of the anticipatory guide.  
- Debrief the different statements and ask if any misconceptions have been cleared up.  
- Ask why we hold misconceptions and how these myths can be corrected. Extend to areas beyond immigration.  
- Provide students with the resources brochure (Appendix I) so they are aware of where to seek out support if they are undocumented or how to advocate for immigrants rights regardless of their status. Discuss key people in the school to speak with such as guidance counselors or teachers.  
- Conclude by asking students to complete an “exit form” stating one area they learned and a question they still have (this information can be used in a follow-up lesson).  
- Give each student the resource brochure (Appendix K). |
| 20 minutes | - Individually complete the “pre-video” section of the anticipatory guide. Circle agree or disagree for each statement and briefly write the rationale.  
- Watch the documentary with the anticipatory guide statements in mind.  
- Fill in the “post-video” section of the anticipatory guide using evidence from the video.  
- Discuss the statements through supporting evidence presented in the video.  
- Reflect on personal and societal misconceptions about undocumented immigrants and ways to remedy them. |
| 15 minutes |  |
| 5 minutes | - Complete exit form with sentence and question related to the lesson. |
8. Evaluation

- Anticipatory guide pre- and post- rationales
- Exit forms with statements and questions about what was learned and areas that are unclear

9. Follow-up Suggestions:

- Research the pending policies for undocumented immigrants, such as the federal DREAM Act, the New York State Dream Act and Comprehensive Immigration Reform
- Write letters to local, state and federal politicians on immigration reform
- Debate what it means to be or become American
- Create brochures to educate peers on common misconceptions about immigrants
- Create a “Dream Team” to advocate for immigrant rights and support undocumented youth
APPENDIX A

Traffic Signs

Appendix A-1:

Appendix A-2:
APPENDIX B

Anticipatory Guide for
*Living Undocumented: High School, College, & Beyond*

Directions: Read each statement and circle agree or disagree in the “pre-video” column and write the reason for your belief. Then, after you watch the *Living Undocumented* documentary complete the “post-video” column by also circling whether you agree or disagree and the reason for your view based on the film.

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<td>Agree/Disagree Rationale based on film:</td>
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<td>Agree/Disagree Personal Rationale:</td>
<td>3. People only become undocumented by crossing a border without papers.</td>
<td>Agree/Disagree Rationale based on film:</td>
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<td>Agree/Disagree Personal Rationale:</td>
<td>4. Undocumented immigrants pay their fair share of taxes.</td>
<td>Agree/Disagree Rationale based on film:</td>
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<td>Agree/Disagree Personal Rationale:</td>
<td>5. Undocumented immigrants work in low-wage, low-skilled jobs and do not speak English.</td>
<td>Agree/Disagree Rationale based on film:</td>
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<td>Agree/Disagree Personal Rationale:</td>
<td>6. Undocumented immigrants can pursue higher education (college) in New York.</td>
<td>Agree/Disagree Rationale based on film:</td>
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**APPENDIX C**

*Guía anticipatoria para*  
*Living Undocumented: High School, College, and Beyond*

Instrucciones: Lee cada declaración y marca de acuerdo o no en la columna "antes del video" y escribir el motivo de su creencia. Después de ver el documental “Living Undocumented” realizar la columna "después del video" también marque si está de acuerdo o en desacuerdo y la razón a basada en el documental.

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<td>de acuerdo/ desacuerdo razonamiento personal:</td>
<td>1. La mayoría de inmigrantes indocumentados son latinos.</td>
<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento basado en documental:</td>
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<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento personal:</td>
<td>2. La terminología &quot;ilegal&quot; o &quot;extranjero ilegal&quot; debe evitarse al referirse a los inmigrantes indocumentados.</td>
<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento basado en documental:</td>
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<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento personal:</td>
<td>3. La gente sólo se convierten en indocumentados cruzando una frontera sin papeles.</td>
<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento basado en documental:</td>
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<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento personal:</td>
<td>4. Los inmigrantes indocumentados pagan su parte justa de impuestos.</td>
<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento basado en documental:</td>
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<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento personal:</td>
<td>5. Los inmigrantes indocumentados trabajan en empleos que requieren poca preparación profesional y de bajos salarios, y no hablan Inglés.</td>
<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento basado en documental:</td>
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<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento personal:</td>
<td>6. Inmigrantes indocumentados pueden obtener estudios superiores (universidad) en nueva york.</td>
<td>de acuerdo/desacuerdo razonamiento basado en documental:</td>
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## APPENDIX D

### College Access:
In New York state, all students have access to a higher education regardless of immigration status.

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<td>Questions and answers for undocumented and non-immigrant students about in-state tuition</td>
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<td>CUNY Residency Form</td>
<td>Form to request in-state tuition when enrolling in a City University of New York college. Each institution may have a distinct residency form.</td>
<td><a href="https://www.cuny.edu/about/resources/citizenship/faqs/tuition.html">CUNY Residency Form</a></td>
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<td>Step by step instructions regarding how to fill out the CUNY residency form</td>
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<td>SUNY in-state tuition eligibility for undocumented students</td>
<td>Guide to SUNY’s resident tuition policy and the eligibility for immigrant, non-immigrant, undocumented students, and non-residents</td>
<td><a href="https://www.suny.edu/student/paying_residence.cfm">https://www.suny.edu/student/paying_residence.cfm</a></td>
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<td>CARA – College Access: Research &amp; Action</td>
<td>CARA helps students from low-income backgrounds explore post-secondary options and navigate the multiple obstacles to college acceptance, matriculation and success.</td>
<td><a href="http://caranc.org/">http://caranc.org/</a></td>
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<td>FAQ about the college application process for undocumented youth</td>
<td>Questions and answers regarding the college application process for undocumented youth, including who can apply, where, financial aid eligibility, and in-state tuition information.</td>
<td><a href="#">See appendix E</a></td>
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**Financing College:**

Undocumented youths are not eligible for federal or state financial aid. However, there are scholarships and programs that can help finance their college education.

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<td>List of scholarships open to undocumented youth</td>
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<td>CUNY Scholarships search</td>
<td>List of CUNY student scholarships and internships</td>
<td><a href="http://www.cuny.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships.html">http://www.cuny.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships.html</a></td>
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<td>CUNY Accelerate Study in Associates Program (ASAP)</td>
<td>ASAP is designed to help motivated community college students earn their degrees as quickly as possible - includes financial incentives</td>
<td><a href="http://www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/asap/about.html">http://www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/asap/about.html</a></td>
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<td>Options Institute Scholarships List</td>
<td>List of scholarships open to undocumented youth</td>
<td>Scholarships for which Undocumented Students are Eligible <a href="#">see Appendix F</a></td>
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<td>NYC College Line</td>
<td>NYC College Line supports New Yorkers to prepare for, get in to, and complete college by connecting them with New York City-based programs/organizations as well as useful web-based resources, scholarships lists, career-based information, events, and more</td>
<td><a href="http://nyccollegeline.org/pay-for-college">http://nyccollegeline.org/pay-for-college</a></td>
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<td>MALDEF Scholarships List</td>
<td>List of scholarships open to undocumented youth</td>
<td><a href="http://www.maldef.org/leadership/scholarships/index.html">http://www.maldef.org/leadership/scholarships/index.html</a></td>
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<td>Sallie Mae Tuition Payment Plan</td>
<td>Payment Plan gives students the opportunity to pay their entire college tuition in small monthly installments. You may inquire with representatives at your college’s financial aid office to find out more about available payment plans.</td>
<td><a href="https://tuitionpay.salliemae.com/TuitionPay/Welcome.aspx?about_tuitionpay.asp">https://tuitionpay.salliemae.com/TuitionPay/Welcome.aspx?about_tuitionpay.asp</a></td>
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**Advocacy/ Support Organizations:**

There are organizations throughout NYC that offer resources and support for undocumented youths as well as safe spaces to get involved in their community. Many organizations work to change the immigration system and to help pass policies that are favorable to the immigrant community. The organizations listed here also offer scholarship information and legal referrals/deferred action support for undocumented students.

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<td>Goddard Riverside Options College Counseling</td>
<td>Goddard Riverside’s Options Center supports NYC students with their college application process regardless of immigration status and background.</td>
<td><a href="http://goddard.org/our-programs/education-college-access/options/">http://goddard.org/our-programs/education-college-access/options/</a></td>
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<td>DREAM Activist</td>
<td>Dream Activist is a multicultural, migrant youth-led, social media hub that supports the movement to pass the DREAM Act and other legislation that aims to mend the current immigration system.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.dreamactivist.org">http://www.dreamactivist.org</a></td>
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<td>Educators for Fair Consideration (E4FC)</td>
<td>E4FC is an alliance of educators that support undocumented students in their pursuit of college, career, and citizenship. They have comprehensive guides for undocumented youths, a scholarships list, legal services, events, and more.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.e4fc.org">http://www.e4fc.org</a></td>
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<td>The New York State Youth Leadership Council (NYSYLC)</td>
<td>The NYSYLC is the first undocumented youth led, membership organization that empowers immigrant youths to improve the current immigration system through leadership development, grassroots organizing, and educational advancement. The organization also provides a safe space for self-expression.</td>
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<td>Make the Road New York (MRNY)</td>
<td>MRNY builds the power of Latino and working class communities to achieve dignity and justice through organizing, policy innovation, transformative education, and survival services.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.maketheroad.org/">http://www.maketheroad.org/</a></td>
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<td>New York Civil Liberties Union (NYCLU)</td>
<td>The NYCLU is one of the nation's foremost defenders of civil liberties and civil rights. They have an extensive library of “Know Your Rights” materials to help New Yorkers understand their rights. Fellowships, internships, and legal assistance are also available.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.nyclu.org/knowyourrights">http://www.nyclu.org/knowyourrights</a></td>
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<td>National Immigration Law Center (NILC)</td>
<td>NILC’s mission is to defend and advance the rights and opportunities of low-income immigrants and their families. Their website offers information and resources about health care and public benefits, immigration reform, immigration enforcement, workers rights, litigation, and education.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.nilc.org">http://www.nilc.org</a></td>
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<td>United We Dream</td>
<td>United We Dream is a network of youth-led immigrant organizations from around the country. They aim to address the inequities and obstacles faced by immigrant youths and to develop a sustainable, grassroots movement.</td>
<td><a href="http://unitedwedream.org">http://unitedwedream.org</a></td>
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**Ethnic-Specific Support Organizations:**
The immigrant groups that make up NY are immensely diverse. Ethnic-based organizations exist to support (undocumented) youth from all over the world and to help meet their specific needs.

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<td>DRUM – Desis Rising Up and Moving</td>
<td>DRUM assists low-wage South Asian immigrant workers and youth in New York City. They offer legal aid support and have a Youth Power! program for youth ages 13-21 years old.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.drumnyc.org/">http://www.drumnyc.org/</a></td>
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<td>Sauti Yetu Center for African Women and Families</td>
<td>Sauti Yetu, which was started in NYC, mobilizes low income or &quot;no income&quot; African immigrant women to help them improve the quality of their lives, strengthen their families, and develop their communities in the U.S.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.sautiyetu.org/">http://www.sautiyetu.org/</a></td>
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<td>SAYA! – South Asian Youth Action</td>
<td>SAYA! creates opportunities for South Asian youth to realize their fullest potential through leadership development, college support and academic classes.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.saya.org/">http://www.saya.org/</a></td>
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<td>La Unión</td>
<td>La Unión is an organization of people from the global south who work to advance the social, economic, and cultural rights of the communities where they now live and the communities left behind.</td>
<td><a href="http://la-union.org">http://la-union.org</a></td>
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<td>Flanbwayan Haitian Literacy Project</td>
<td>Flanbwayan offers Haitian immigrant youth in NYC a safety net as they navigate the overwhelming high school placement process. Student-members share experiences, express their views on education issues, develop outreach efforts to their peers and raise awareness on the need for education reform.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.flanbwayan.org/">http://www.flanbwayan.org/</a></td>
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**Legal Referrals:**

Legal Aid at low or no cost is imperative for youths and their families in order to seek information regarding how to adjust their immigration status.

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<td>Legal Aid Society</td>
<td>The Legal Aid Society is a private, not-for-profit legal services organization that provides legal representation to low-income New Yorkers. This link highlights the clinics that are offered throughout NYC in collaboration with local community organizations.</td>
<td>Legal Aid Society Immigration Clinic Outreach Schedule [See Appendix G]</td>
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<td>CUNY Citizenship NOW</td>
<td>CUNY Citizenship Now! provides free, high quality, and confidential immigration legal services to help individuals and families on their path to U.S. citizenship. They are located on select CUNY campuses.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.cuny.edu/about/resources/citizenship.html">http://www.cuny.edu/about/resources/citizenship.html</a></td>
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Deferred Action for Undocumented Youth:
On June 15th 2012, President Obama announced a program for undocumented youths called Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). Several resources across NYC are available to help undocumented youths figure out their eligibility and to provide support with the application process.

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<td>The Department of State</td>
<td>The Department of State offers information about deferred action, resources for legal practitioners, immigration fraud information, and a calendar of upcoming free or low cost legal clinics for undocumented youths who are seeking support with their application process.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.dos.ny.gov/deferredact/">http://www.dos.ny.gov/deferredact/</a></td>
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<td>DACA Opportunity for temporary relief for undocumented youth</td>
<td>This Internationals Network for Public Schools document provides information about the new immigration program called Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. The document, geared towards educators, outlines eligibility criteria, how to help undocumented eligible youth, and lists five reasons why youths benefit from this program.</td>
<td><a href="#">See Appendix H</a></td>
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### About Immigration:
Seeking additional information regarding the immigration debate is as easy as watching a movie or reading an informational book.

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<td>Papers (2009)</td>
<td>&quot;Papers&quot; follows the personal stories of five undocumented youth from Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, and South Korea as they turn 18 without legal status.</td>
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<td>La Bestia (2011)</td>
<td>This movie shows the plight that Central American immigrants go through as they try to reach the American dream and create a better future for their families.</td>
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**Additional Professional Development Tools for Educators:**

A range of resources about undocumented students specifically designed for educators such as curricula, professional development trainings, magazines and websites.

| Name                                                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Link                                                                                           |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|                                                                                                |
| Goddard Riverside Options Institute                  | The Options Institute offers workshops for educators and guidance counselors to improve fundamental counseling skills and seminars on working with immigrant students. They also lead a financial aid workshop designed for students and their families. | [http://goddard.org/our-programs/education-college-access/options-institute/](http://goddard.org/our-programs/education-college-access/options-institute/) |
| Teaching Tolerance                                   | Teaching Tolerance is a Southern Poverty Law Center project that provides extensive resources such as units, lesson plans, and classroom activities for educators looking to integrate social justice, gender equity, religion, and immigration into their everyday teaching practices. | [http://www.tolerance.org/](http://www.tolerance.org/)                                           |
| Tips for college counselors on how to talk and support undocumented youth | Document offers tips for guidance counselors and teachers about talking to undocumented youth about sensitive topics such as applying to college, their immigration status, and other opportunities. | [See Appendix I]                                                                                 |
| 15 ways to advocate for undocumented youth            | Document proving a range of ways to advocate for undocumented youth.                                                                                                                                          | [See Appendix J]                                                                                |
Frequently Asked Questions About the
College Application Process for Undocumented Youth

Q: Can a student without immigration status, undocumented, enroll in college?
A: In New York State, students without immigration status, undocumented, can legally enroll in public colleges and universities (CUNY and SUNY). Private colleges set their own policies, so each one is different. A call to the admissions office can determine whether students without immigration status are eligible. Keep in mind that there are serious and real risks for students and families that decide to go to school upstate because of federal law that allows for immigration check points within 100 miles of either border.

Q: Are students without immigration status in-state, out-of-state or international students, for the purposes of college tuition?
A: Students without immigration status, undocumented students, who reside in New York State and either graduated from high school or took the GED in NY are eligible to pay in-state tuition at public colleges in New York State. See "In-State Tuition For Undocumented Students" for information regarding the application process (below).

Q: What should a student without a social security number write in the SSN box?
A: A student without a social security number should leave the SSN box BLANK, write none or write N/A. A student should never lie about their social security number. No student is required to submit a social security number. Students can also leave the SSN box blank on the SAT. While students can attend college without a social security number, degrees the require licensing work can require a social security number, so students should keep this in mind when choosing degree and career paths.

Q: What should a student without immigration status write in the immigration status section? Won't writing that they do not have an immigration status get them in trouble with immigration?
A: Students without immigration status should never lie and say that they are U.S. citizens or Legal Permanent Residents (green card holders). They should write "none" or "not qualified". Under federal law, schools cannot disclose this information to immigration. Schools only disclose information regarding students with international student visas.

Q: What is the difference between a student without immigration status and an international student?
A: An undocumented student without immigration status does not have a valid visa or green card. An international student comes to the United States with a student visa (or another visa status, specifically to attend school. It is very unlikely that undocumented students can apply for a student visa if they have lived in the US. Some have been able to do this, but it requires a significant amount of legal work so students should consult with attorneys.

Q: Are students without immigration status eligible for state or federal financial aid?
A: Currently, students without immigration status are not eligible for state or federal financial aid, including the Tuition Assistance Program and Pell Grants. They can file a FAFSA, which will be returned to them marked "ineligible". However, it will include an "expected family contribution", which may be needed to apply for private scholarships. They should only fill out the contact information and check the corresponding boxes, namely "ineligible non-citizen" and not continue because it will not be reviewed. FAFSA applications for students without immigration status should only be mailed as hard copies.
Q: What options for financial assistance do students without immigration status have?
A: Students without immigration status may be eligible for certain private scholarships. A partial list can be found at nysylc.org. Other scholarship organizations can be called to determine eligibility requirements. Additionally, there are tuition pay plans that allow students to pay in installments, instead of all at once. Students can get loans by having family members or people they know who do have immigration status act as co-signers. Some students have written letters to foundations, local business leaders, etc. to receive financial assistance.

Q: Where can I find more information or refer a student for assistance?
A: The New York State Youth Leadership Council is happy to assist undocumented or immigrant students with the college application process. We are also happy to assist educators and counselors who have questions about how best to help their students. Please contact us at info@nysylc.org. Also, the CUNY Citizenship Now Project assists anyone in New York City with immigration law related questions. Visit their website at http://web.cuny.edu/about/citizenship.html.

IMPORTANT: "In-State Tuition for Undocumented Students Eligibility Requirements and Application Process"

In 2002 New York passed a law that allows undocumented immigrants to apply for in-state tuition if they meet the following criteria:

1) Attended a New York State High School for two years and graduated from a New York State High School and applied for admission to CUNY or SUNY.
   OR
2) Attended a New York State Program for General Equivalency Diploma (GED) exam preparation, received a GED issued within New York State, and applied for admission to CUNY or SUNY
   OR
3) Were enrolled in CUNY in the Fall 2001 semester or quarter and were authorized by CUNY to pay tuition at the resident rate. Thus, a student who attended CUNY in the Fall 2001 semester and paid the resident rate does not have to satisfy either of the conditions above.

To be eligible for in-state tuition, in addition to meeting the above requirements, you must file a notarized form (affidavit) stating that you have either filed an application to legalize your immigration status or will file such an application as soon as you are eligible to do so.

And:

To apply for in-state tuition, request a "City University Residency Form" at the registration office of your college. You must provide the "City University Residency Form" and the necessary documentation proving New York State residency for 12 months prior to the first day of classes for the semester.
Scholarships for which Undocumented Students are Eligible

1. **AIChE Minority Scholarship Awards for Incoming College Freshmen**
   - Deadline: Varies
   - Award range: $1000
   - Website: [aiche.org](http://www.aiche.org)
   - Phone: (212) 591-7107

2. **Migrant Farmworker Baccalaureate Scholarship**
   - Applicant must migrated to obtain work in agriculture
   - Deadline: July 1st
   - Award range: Up to $2,000 a year for four years
   - Website: [www.migrant.net](http://www.migrant.net)
   - Phone: (800) 245-5681
   - To download this application: [http://www.migrant.net/migrant/scholarships.htm](http://www.migrant.net/migrant/scholarships.htm)

3. **La Unidad Latina Foundation Scholarship**
   - Applicant must be a current college student
   - Deadline: Varies
   - Award range: $250-$1,000
   - Website: [www.foundation.launidadlatina.org/index.htm](http://www.foundation.launidadlatina.org/index.htm)
   - To download this application: [http://www.lulfoundation.org/Apply/tabid/60/Default.aspx](http://www.lulfoundation.org/Apply/tabid/60/Default.aspx)

4. **Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards**
   - Open to high school juniors
   - Deadline: Varies
   - Award range: $1,000-$5,000
   - To download this application: [http://www.hispanicheritage.org](http://www.hispanicheritage.org)

5. **The Walt Disney Company Foundation Scholarship**
   - Open to junior achievement applicants
   - Deadline: February 1st
   - Award range: A full-tuition scholarship award that may be renewed annually up to four years
   - To download this application: [http://www.ja.org/programs/programs_schol_dis.shtml](http://www.ja.org/programs/programs_schol_dis.shtml)

6. **Que Llueva Café Scholarship**
   - Deadline: February 23rd
   - Award range: $500
   - To download this application: [http://ca-core.org/que_llueva_cafe](http://ca-core.org/que_llueva_cafe)

7. **LINC TELACU Scholarship**
   - Deadline: March 19th
   - Award range: Varies
   - To download this application: [http://telacu.com/site/en/home/education/applications.html](http://telacu.com/site/en/home/education/applications.html)

8. **The Fountainhead Essay Contest**
   - Deadline: April 26, 2013
   - Award Amount: $50-$10,000

9. **Salvadoran-American Leadership & Educational Fund: SALEF education for Excellence Program**
   - Open to students who are Latino or Central American
   - Priority is given to those living in California
   - Deadline: April 30th
   - Award Amount: $1,000-$5,000
   - Phone: (213) 480-1052
   - To download this application: [www.salef.org](http://www.salef.org)
10. Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest
Open to students who are currently enrolled in college
Deadline: Annually by December
Award Amount: $500-$5,000
Phone: (212) 490-7777
To download this application: http://center.uoregon.edu/conferences/EWF/FORMS/CFP/CFP_login.php?formid=2450929

11. National Sculpture Society Scholarship
Deadline: June 3rd
Award Amount: $2,000
Phone: (212) 764-5645
To download this application: http://www.nationalsculpture.org/nssN/index.cfm/fa/cProg.scholarships

12. Tylenol Scholarship
Deadline: Varies
Award Amount: $5,000-$10,000
To download this application: http://www.tylenol.com/page.jhtml?id=tylenol/news/subptysschol.inc

13. NAHJ Ford Motor Company Scholarships
Deadline: March 28th
Award Amount: Up to $2,500
Phone: (202) 662-7145
To download this application: https://www.nerdwallet.com/nerdscholar/scholarships/NAHJ-Ford-Motor-Company-Fund-Scholarships

14. The HACU Scholarship Program
Open to Latino students pursuing journalism
Deadline: June 10th
Award Amount: $2,000-$12,200
Phone: (210) 692-3805
To download this application: http://www.hacu.net/hacu/Scholarships.asp?SnID=1149820492

18. Abbott and Fenner Scholarship
Deadline: June 14th
Award Amount: Up to $1,000
To download this application: http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm

19. Alvin J. Cox Memorial Scholarship
Deadline: May 31st
Award Amount: $200
To download this application: http://www.alvincoxmemorial.com/

20. Blacks at Microsoft Scholarship
Applicant must be of African descent and pursuing a degree in technology
Deadline: March 25th
Award Amount: Annual $5,000

21. Davis-Putter Scholarship
Applicant must be committed to studying social justice
Deadline: April 1st
Award Amount: Up to $10,000
To download this application: http://www.davisputter.org/apply/application-form/

22. Hit The Books Scholarship
Deadline: January 31st and September 30th annually
Award Amount: Up to $500
To download this application: http://www.coffeeforless.com/scholarship.asp

24. Platt Family Scholarship Prize Essay Contest
Open to students who are currently enrolled in college
Deadline: July 31st
Award Amount: $500-$1,000
To download this application: http://www.thelincolnforum.org/scholarship-essay-contest.php
25. **Sigma Xi Grants-in-Aid of Research (GIAR) Program**  
*Open to students who are currently enrolled in college and involved in science research*  
Deadline: March 15 and October 15 annually  
Award Amount: Up to $5,000  
To download this application:  

27. **The (Ayn Rand) Atlas Shrugged Essay Contest**  
Deadline: September 17th  
Award Amount: Up to $10,000  
To download this application:  

28. **The Roothbert Fund Scholarship Program**  
Deadline: November 1st  
Award Amount: $2,000-$3,000  
To download this application:  

29. **USA TODAY All-USA Community College Academic Team**  
*Open to students who will be transferring from community college to bachelor’s degree programs*  
Deadline: April 30th  
Award Amount: $2,500  
To download this application:  
[http://www.ptk.org/scholarships](http://www.ptk.org/scholarships)  

30. **Hellenic Scholarship Fund**  
*Open to students of Greek descent*  
Deadline: March 11th  
Award Amount: $1,000-$2,500  
To download this application:  
[http://www.htsfund.org/](http://www.htsfund.org/)  

31. **Swackhamer Disarmament video Contest**  
Deadline: April 1st  
Award Amount: $100-$1,000  
Phone: (805) 965-3443  

32. **The Random House Creative Writing Competition for New York City Public High School Seniors**  
*Applicant must be a NYC public high school student*  
Deadline: February 11th for poetry/spoken word/fiction/drama, and personal essay & April 1st for graphic novel  
Award Amount: $500-$10,000  
Phone: (888) 369-3434  
To download this application:  
[www.randomhouse.com/creativewriting](http://www.randomhouse.com/creativewriting)  

32. **We the Living Essay Contest**  
Deadline: May 6th  
Award Amount: $25-$3,000  
To download this application:  

33. **Zeta Phi Beta Sorority General Undergraduate Scholarship**  
*Applicant must be a female*  
Deadline: September 1st and February 1st  
Award Amount: $500-$1,000  
To download this application:  

34. **The Vegetarian Resource Group College Scholarships**  
*Applicant must be a vegetarian*  
Deadline: February 20th  
Award Amount: $5,000  
Phone: (410) 366-8343  
To download this application:  
[www.vrg.org/student/scholar.htm](http://www.vrg.org/student/scholar.htm)
35. **The National Strength and Conditioning Association High School Scholarship**
*Open to students majoring in strength and conditioning/exercise science*
Deadline: March 15th **Deadline passed**
Award Amount: $1,500
Phone: (800) 815-6826
To download this application:
http://www.nsclift.org/NSCAfoundation/grants.shtml#highschool

36. **The National Strength and Conditioning Association Minority Scholarship**
*Open to students majoring in strength and conditioning/exercise science*
Deadline: March 15th
Award Amount: $1,500
Phone: (800) 815-6826
To download this application:
http://www.nsclift.org/NSCAfoundation/grants.shtml#highschool

37. **The National Strength and Conditioning Association Women's Scholarship**
*Open to students majoring in strength and conditioning/exercise science*
Deadline: March 15th
Award Amount: $1,500
Phone: (800) 815-6826
To download this application:
http://www.nsclift.org/NSCAfoundation/grants.shtml#highschool

38. **Wendy's High School Heisman Award**
*Applicant must be a high school student athlete*
Deadline: October 2nd
Award Amount: Up to $10,000
Phone: (800) 205-6367
To download this application:
http://www.wendyshighschoolheisman.com/about/program-timeline/

39. **FSCNY Scholarship Program**
Deadline: March 25th
Award Amount: $500-$7,500
To download this application:
http://www.fscny.org/filestorage/file/2013FSCNYScholarshipApplicationFINAL.pdf

40. **The Point Foundation Scholarship**
*Open to students who identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender*
Deadline: February 9th
Award Amount: $2,000-$12,000
To download this application:
http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/previewScholarship.htm?scholarshipid=3291

41. **National Peace Contest**
Deadline: February 1st
Award Amount: Up to $10,000
To download this application:
http://www.usip.org/npec

42. **The New York Urban League Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**
*Open to students who are African-American, Latino, Asian, or Native American*
Deadline: April 5th
Award Amount: $1,500-$3,500
To download this application:
http://www.nyul.org/nyul_scholarships.html

43. **Edward J. McFadden Scholarship**
*Open to students living in Washington Heights/Inwood*
Deadline: March 22nd
Award Amount: Varies
To download this application:

44. **Columbus Citizens Foundation College Scholarship**
*Open to students who are Italian*
Deadline: December 3rd
Award Amount: $1000-$8000, Awards are not for full tuition but are partial scholarships given for all four years of undergraduate study.
Phone: (212) 249 9923
To download this application:
http://www.columbuscitizensfd.org/
45. **The Princeton Prize in Race Relations**
   Deadline: January 31st
   Award Amount: Up to $1,000
   Phone: (800) 742-1036
   To download this application:
   www.princeton.edu/pprize

46. **DREAM ACT Student Activist Scholarship Program**
   Deadline: September 15th
   Award Amount: $5,000
   To download this application:
   http://www.scribd.com/fullscreen/63013788?access_key=key-11qu854pb41g7urrhvp2

47. **Smithsonian Magazine Photo Contest**
   Deadline: November 29th
   Award Amount: $500
   To download this application:
   http://photocontest.smithsonianmag.com/enter/index.php
IMMIGRATION CLINIC OUTREACH SCHEDULE

BRONX OUTREACH LOCATIONS

HIGHBRIDGE COMMUNITY LIFE CENTER - 2\textsuperscript{nd} Monday 5pm-7pm; 1438 Ogden Avenue Bronx, NY. Call for appt.: (646) 393-9533

BROOKLYN OUTREACH LOCATIONS

CENTER FOR FAMILY LIFE AT SUNSET PARK - 3\textsuperscript{rd} Wed. 4pm-6pm; 443 39th St., 1\textsuperscript{st} Floor, Brooklyn, NY. Call for appt.: (718) 492-3585

COUNCIL OF PEOPLES ORGANIZATION - "COPO" - 2\textsuperscript{nd} Thurs. 3:30pm-5:30pm; 1081 Coney Island Avenue Brooklyn, NY. Call for appt.: (718) 434-3266

GOOD SHEPHERD SERVICES - 3\textsuperscript{rd} Tues. 3pm-5pm; 503 5th Avenue Suite 4A Brooklyn, NY. Call for appt.: (718) 965-3313

MAKE THE ROAD NEW YORK – 2\textsuperscript{nd} Tues, 3pm-5pm. 301 Grove Street, Brooklyn, NY 11237. Call for appt: (718) 565-8500 x4426 (Spanish) x4459 (English)

MANHATTAN OUTREACH LOCATIONS

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE ASSUMPTION - Last Fri. 9:30am-12:30pm; 333 E. 115th St. NY, NY Call for appt.: (212) 987-4422

GODDARD RIVERSIDE - 1\textsuperscript{st} Wed. 4pm-6pm; 140 W. 140\textsuperscript{th} Street, New York, NY. Call for appt: (212) 234-3481

AID FOR AIDS (HIV+ only) - 1\textsuperscript{st} Tues. 3pm-5pm; 515 Greenwich Street, Suite 506, NY NY. Call for appt.: (212) 337-8043

QUEENS OUTREACH LOCATIONS

MAKE THE ROAD NEW YORK - 1\textsuperscript{st} Thurs 2pm- 5pm; 92-10 Roosevelt Avenue Elmhurst, NY. Call for appt.: (718) 565-8500 x4426 (Spanish) x4459 (English)

SCO FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER - 4\textsuperscript{th} Wed. 5pm-7pm; 103-24 Roosevelt Avenue Corona, NY Call for appt.: (718) 426-7523
Opportunity for Temporary Relief for Undocumented Immigrant Youth

What is DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS (DACA)? How to support our undocumented youth

President Obama’s June 15, 2012 directive Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) grants “temporary relief” to eligible young people and prevents them from being deported.

What is the potential benefit of DACA?
Deferred action will be valid for two years and may be renewed at the end of the two years. Individuals who receive deferred action may apply for and may obtain employment authorization.

Who may be eligible for DACA?
People between the ages of 15 and 30 years old who came to the US before they were 16 years old. Students under the age of 15 may be eligible once they turn 15.

People who are currently enrolled in school or certain GED or adult education programs, as well as those who have graduated from high school or university, received a GED, or are an honorably discharged veteran of the Coast Guard or Armed forces.

Please help our youth who may be eligible for DACA:

DO:

• Advise youth who may be eligible to seek reliable assistance to determine eligibility and prepare their application.
• Help students to get transcripts and other documents.
• Direct students who may be eligible to reliable resources including:

  www.weownthefoodream.org for the self-screening DACA tool, referrals to local pro-bono or low-cost attorneys, connections to local DREAMer organizations and DACA clinics and events throughout the country. Another resource is (855) DREAM-31.

  The New York Immigration Coalition http://www.thenyic.org
  New York State Youth Leadership Council http://www.nysylec.org

DO NOT:

• Advise students directly how to apply to DACA, unless you’ve been trained.

DACA eligibility may be complex. Youth need the support of trained, honest legal counselors.

Adapted by Internationals Network for Public Schools www.internationalsnps.org
Five Reasons Why Youth Should Consider Applying for DACA

1. Temporary Immigration Benefits Can Lead to More Permanent Remedies
Temporary benefit programs like DACA have been a gateway for more long-term immigration remedies. For example, in the 1990s, some Temporary Protected Status (TPS) beneficiaries from El Salvador first were granted only short-term permits to remain in the U.S. but later they received lawful permanent residency.

2. DACA Beneficiaries Under Age 18 Won't Accrue Unlawful Presence
Undocumented children who are approved for DACA prior to turning 18 won't accrue unlawful presence as long as they participate in the program.

3. DACA Beneficiaries Aren't a Priority for ICE
Since Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) doesn't have the resources to process everyone whom it has the lawful authority to deport (i.e. there are simply not enough immigration judges, immigration officers, ICE attorneys, or detention centers to process all potential deportation cases nationally), the agency needs to set guidelines and prioritize deportation cases.

4. There is Power in Large Numbers of DACA Beneficiaries
Like other important policy changes, the DACA program was not the result of an overnight decision; it was the culmination of many years of struggle. DACA is the first and only immigration program of its kind whereby the people who now benefit were instrumental in demanding that a change in immigration policy take place. DACA has the potential to bring over one million young people "out of the shadows" and into the light. Every new DACA beneficiary will show how undocumented young people can contribute meaningfully to society and will add momentum to the push for future immigration reform.

5. It Might be Easier Than Youth Think to Apply for DACA
Some people who are qualified for DACA are still hesitant to apply because they don't know how to get help, or they're afraid of expensive legal fees. In fact, applying for DACA is not difficult, especially since USCIS has recently clarified the evidence requirements and made it clearer how to apply. Complex cases (i.e. with criminal records, substantial or long-term travel abroad, potential national security threats or fraud, etc.) must be reviewed by an attorney.

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### Appendix I

#### Tips for College Counselors: How to talk to undocumented youth about college

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<td>Going to college isn’t really an option for you.</td>
<td>Going to college is going to be difficult for you, but it is possible. Thousands of other talented, hard-working undocumented students have already graduated from college.</td>
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<td>You’re not going to be able to get any money for college.</td>
<td>You are not eligible for most forms of government financial aid. However, you might be eligible for in-state tuition, and there are some private scholarships you can apply for.</td>
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<td>Why don’t you just legalze?</td>
<td>Have you talked to an immigration attorney to find out if you can legalize? There may be immigration remedies that you and your family don’t know already.</td>
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<td>Even if you get a college degree, you’re never going to be able to use it.</td>
<td>Getting a college degree isn’t going to change your immigration status, but it will open many opportunities for you once you are able to legalize. If you are eligible and approved for Deferred Action, which is a change to immigration policy, you might be able to get your work permit and use your degree. There is also the DREAM Act, a proposed legislation that if passed will give undocumented youth a path to citizenship, something that Deferred Action does not grant.</td>
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<td>Why don’t you go back home and get a degree?</td>
<td>If you have family and connections in another country outside the United States, it might make sense for you to consider pursuing educational opportunities elsewhere. Remember, however, that you would be separated from your family in the US, and you could be barred from returning for 10 years.</td>
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<td>In order to apply for college, you are going to have to reveal everything.</td>
<td>In order to apply to college, you’re going to have to be honest about your immigration status. At first this may seem scary to you and your family. Remember that federal law (specifically FERPA) will protect your privacy and prevent colleges from releasing your information unless under court order.</td>
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<td>College tuition is beyond what you can afford</td>
<td>Paying for college might be a challenge since you are not eligible for state or federal aid. However, in New York we have in-state tuition that allows undocumented youth to pay the state resident tuition rate if you have graduated from a NY high school or have obtained your GED. There are also some scholarships and fellowships opened for undocumented youth that you may be eligible for.</td>
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15 Ways to Advocate for Undocumented Youth

1. Drop the “I” word instead use words as undocumented and unauthorized. Help change the immigration discourse.

2. Make information and resources available for ALL students. Don’t ask students to self-identify. Many students will be too scared to reveal their immigration status. Some students might not even know about their status.

3. Be open-minded. Don’t make assumptions about who may or may not be undocumented. Undocumented youth aren’t all Latino, Spanish-speaking, or enrolled in ESL classes.

4. Be knowledgeable about specific government and college admission policies that affect undocumented students.

5. Support pro-immigrant federal, state, city legislation such as the federal DREAM Act, the NY Dream Act, in-state tuition.

6. Identify scholarships that don’t require citizenship/residency, i.e. NYSYLC Awards Program

7. Donate to the NYSYLC Scholarship Fund!

8. Advocate for scholarships and private colleges to allow undocumented students apply and enroll.

9. Identify private sponsors who can provide financial support to undocumented students.

10. Help create lasting support networks that can offer ongoing mentoring and advice to undocumented youth.

11. Refer students to qualified legal counsel to inquire on possible immigration remedies.

12. Identify role models, undocumented youth and/or college graduates from the community to give a presentation to inform, empower and share resources.

13. Reach out to organizations, community groups that can support undocumented and immigrant youth, such as the NYSYLC!

14. Make your school, group or classroom a safe haven for undocumented youth. Post something like this stating “I encourage everyone to pursue & achieve their education dreams regardless of their immigration status, gender, sexual orientation, class, religion or age”

15. Stay informed and updated on immigration or education legislation changes that will affect youth, their families and communities. Sign up to receive our newsletters on our website www.nysylc.org
ABOUT IMMIGRATION:

Finding additional information regarding the immigration debate is as easy as watching a movie or reading an informational book.

- **Underground Undergrads: UCLA Undocumented Immigrant Students Speak Out** (2009)
- **Papers** the movie (2009)
- **La Bestia** the movie (2011)

FINANCING COLLEGE: Undocumented youth are not eligible for federal or state financial aid. However, there are scholarships and other opportunities that can help students:

- **NYSYLC Scholarships List:**
  [www.nysylc.org/scholarships/](http://www.nysylc.org/scholarships/)
- **CUNY scholarships and internships search:**
  [www.cuny.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships.html](http://www.cuny.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships.html)
- **CUNY Accelerate Study in Associates Program (ASAP):**
  [www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/asap/about.html](http://www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/asap/about.html)

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Living

Undocumented: High School, College, and Beyond

Resource List

This is a brief list of resources, intended to provide guidance and information to (undocumented) students, teachers, guidance counselors, education advocates and anyone interested in helping all youth succeed and achieve their education dreams regardless of their immigration status.

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**ADVOCACY/SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS**

Organizations across New York offer youth and education advocates resources and safe spaces to get involved in immigration reform. The organizations listed here offer scholarship information, legal referrals and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) information.

✓ **Goddard Riverside Options College Counseling** supports NYC students with the college application process regardless of immigration status: [http://goddard.org/our-programs/education-college-access/options/](http://goddard.org/our-programs/education-college-access/options/)

✓ **Educators for Fair Consideration (E4FC)** is an alliance of educators who support undocumented students’ pursuit of college, career and citizenship. They offer guides for undocumented youth, a list of scholarships, legal services, and events: [www.e4fc.org](http://www.e4fc.org)

✓ **DreamActivist.org** is a multicultural, migrant youth-led social media hub for the movement to pass the DREAM Act and pursue legislation to mend the broken immigration system: [www.dreamactivist.org](http://www.dreamactivist.org)

✓ **The New York State Youth Leadership Council (NYSYLC)** is the first undocumented youth-led organization that empowers immigrant youth through leadership development, grassroots organizing, educational advancement, and a safe space for self-expression: [www.nysylc.org](http://www.nysylc.org)

✓ **Sauti Yetu Center for African Women and Families** mobilizes low income or "no income" African immigrant women and youth to improve the quality of their lives, strengthen their families and develop their communities in the U.S., starting in NYC: [www.sautiyetu.org](http://www.sautiyetu.org)

**COLLEGE ACCESS**

In New York all students have access to college, regardless of their immigration status.

✓ **CUNY in-state tuition for undocumented students** provides questions & answers for undocumented and non-immigrant students: [www.cuny.edu/about/resources/citizenship/faqs/tuition.html](http://www.cuny.edu/about/resources/citizenship/faqs/tuition.html)

✓ **CUNY non-citizen eligibility for Financial Aid website** lists financial eligibility for non-citizen students based on immigration status at CUNY. It includes eligibility for Federal Pell and Direct Loans, TAP, Campus-based federal aid, and special program eligibility: [www.cuny.edu/admissions/financial-aid/student-eligibility/resident-temp.html](http://www.cuny.edu/admissions/financial-aid/student-eligibility/resident-temp.html)

✓ **SUNY in-state tuition eligibility for undocumented students** offers a guide to resident tuition policy and the eligibility for immigrant, non-immigrant, undocumented students and other non-residents: [www.suny.edu/student/paying_residence.cfm](http://www.suny.edu/student/paying_residence.cfm)

**ABOUT IMMIGRATION:**

*Immigration:*

*The Ultimate Teen Guide*

*by Tatyana Kleyn*