

# You Are Not Alone: Recipes to Obtain SUCCESS by Students for Students

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# About Dr. Lettie Ramirez

- Dr. Lettie Ramirez, born in El Paso, Texas worked her way through elementary school in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, middle and high school in El Paso, Texas and finally worked her way through a doctoral degree at University of Texas at Austin.
- She was hired at CSU East Bay in 1994 to teach future teachers in the Teacher Education Department and Special Education classes in the Educational Psychology Department.
- In 2005, she became a full professor. Throughout her tenure at CSU East Bay, she has received numerous awards such as Professor of the Year (2001), Advisor of the Year (2007), Si Se Puede! Excellence Award (2013), Outstanding Contributor to Community Engagement (2013) and Latino Heritage Recognition by Senator Wieckowski in (2015). Her strong focus in writing and obtained grants has helped her obtain over 35 million to support numerous students. Dr. Ramirez has presented and taught classes at the local, state, national and international level in several countries such as Greece, Mexico, Philippines, and Spain

# About Dr. Lettie Ramirez

- Teachers in Multicultural Settings: A Critical Literacy Approach and Multicultural Education in Practice: Transforming One Community at a Time. The other two books have been working with parents You are Not Alone: Recipes for Success by Parents for Parents and in Spanish No Estas Solo: Recetas para Obtener Éxito de Padres Para Padres. Her latest book You Are Not Alone: Recipes to Obtain SUCCESS by Students for Students.
- With the goal of helping all students obtain a quality education, she has founded several programs at CSU East Bay. She was the co-founder of GANAS: Gaining Access aNd Academic Success a program to support students who transfer and now Director of STEP: Sophomore Transition Enrichment Program to increase academic support and retention of sophomores.

# About her latest book

Dr. Lettie Ramirez video



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# Chapter: Undocumented Students in Higher Education and Tips to Succeed

- Families migrate to the U.S for several reasons:
  - > Search of a better life
  - > Violence, war, natural disasters
  - > Family reunification
- ❖ When families migrate with their children, they also become part undocumented population
- ❖ It is estimated that 98,000 undocumented students graduate from a U.S high school each year
- Undocumented students encounter barriers attending college/university
  - Cannot apply for federal financial aid
  - Cannot work legally
  - > Institutions lack of awareness and information
  - Institutions lack of Safe spaces
- Undocumented students are determined to achieve their educational goals

# Chapter: Undocumented Students in Higher Education and Tips to Succeed

- Applying to as many scholarships as you can- no limit
- If eligible apply for the CA AB 540
- ❖ If eligible apply for the CA Dream Act (AB 130 and AB 131)
- ❖ Being involved on campus clubs/organizations
- Staying connected with local, state, and national organizations to obtain latest updates about undocumented students and immigrant rights
- ❖ Being determined, having goals, creating a plan
- ❖ Networking with other undocumented students
- Finding a faculty/staff allies in colleges/universities
- Seeking a mentor that can support and guide you as being an undocumented student
- Asking for help
- Sharing your story when comfortable
- Attending undocumented student conferences

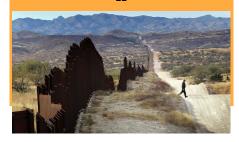
# Chapter: Making my Dream a Reality: DACAmented Counselor in Higher Education

- My experiences being an undocumented student immigrating from Mexico at the age of 11 and how I got to where I am today, working as a counselor in higher education
- Share some statistics/data about undocumented students

# **Understanding the Undocumented Status**

# **Undocumented**

Entered without Authorization/Inspectio n



Entered with visa and overstayed visa



Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)



Currently in the process of legalizing their status



Source: California Community Colleges, Supporting Undocumented Students. https://www.ccco.edu/Portals/1/supporting-undocumented-students.pdf

# National Statistics of Undocumented Individuals

Total population in the U.S: 11-12 million people

Under 18: Over 1.3 million people

Annually 98,000 undocumented students graduate from a U.S high school

Enroll in college/university each year: 7-13 thousand students

#### Undocumented Students In California

# Estimated 74,000 to 87,000 Enrolled Students

University of California: 3,800-5,000 enrolled students California State Universities: 10,000-12,000 enrolled students California Community
Colleges: 50,000-70,000
enrolled students

**Privates** 

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Source: California Community Colleges, Supporting Undocumented Students. https://www.ccco.edu/Portals/1/supporting-undocumented-students.pdf

# Welcoming and Supportive Campuses- CSU's

# Campus Support

Click on the map below to view support services available to students and employees at each CSU campus, including campus Dream Centers, mental health services, and employee assistance programs.

To find more campus services and programs for undocumented students, go to Student Academic Services.



#### **Dream Resource Centers**

- ➤ Chico
- > Sacramento
- > San Francisco
- > Stanislaus
- > San Jose
- Monterey Bay
- Fresno
- Channel Islands
- Nortridge
- Los Angeles
- Dominguez Hills
- San Diego
- ➤ Long Beach
- > Fullerton
- > San Bernardino
- > Pomona
- > San Marcos

# Student clubs/organization

- Scholars Without Borders- Humboldt State
- Leaders Educating for the Advancement of Dreamers (L.E.A.D.)- Chico State
- Lead Empower and Achieve with Determination (LEAD)- Sacramento State
- Undocu-Scholars Coalition- Sonoma State
- Improving Dreams, Equity, Access and Success (IDEAS)- San Francisco State
- Student Advocates for Higher Education (SAHE)- San Jose State
- Education Without Borders- San Diego
   State
- Students United to Reach Goals in Education (SURGE)- CSULA

# Welcoming and Supportive Campuses- UC's

Campus & link	Campus contacts			
UC Berkeley	Meng So   (510) 642-7224			
Undocumented Student	Director, Undocumented Student Program			
Program				
	Liliana Iglesias   (510) 643-5740			
	Academic Counselor/Coordinator, Undocumented Student Program			
UC Davis	Andrea Gaytan   (530) 752-7270			
AB540 and Undocumented Student Center	Director, AB 540 and Undocumented Student Center			
	Esmeralda Carretero   (530) 752-7203			
	Mentorship Coordinator			
UC Irvine	Oscar D. Teran   (949) 824-8225			
DREAMers	Director, UCI DREAM Center			
	Dr. Angela C. Chen   (949) 824-6390			
	Assistant Director, UCI DREAM Center			
UCLA	Valeria Simmons Garcia   (310) 206-2980			
Undocumented Student Program	Program Director, Undocumented Student Program			
	Yadira K. Hernandez   (310) 794-2544			
	Program Coordinator, Undocumented Student Program			
UC Merced	Ariana Mora Mero   (209) 600-5316			
	Program Coordinator, Services for Undocumented Students			
	Alejandro Delgadillo   (209) 228-4625			
	Associate Director, Calvin E. Bright Success Center			

JC Riverside	Ana Coria   (951) 827-3808		
C'Dream	Program Coordinator, Undocumented Student Programs		
	Estella Acuña   (951) 827-3821		
	Director, Chicano Student Programs		
JC San Diego	Daniel Arturo Alfaro Arellano   (858) 822-6916		
Jndocumented Student	Coordinator, Undocumented Student Services		
Jervices	Christian Abigail Gonzalez   (858) 246-3049		
	Assistant Coordinator, Undocumented Student Services		
JC San Francisco	LaMisha Hill   (415) 502-3201		
Indocumented Student	Director, Multicultural Resource Center		
Support Services	Alejandra Rincón   (415) 514-1784		
	Chief of Staff to the Vice Chancellor, Office of Diversity and		
	Outreach		
C Santa Barbara	Diana Valdivia   (805) 893-5609		
Pream Scholars Resource	Undocumented Services Coordinator		
eam	Cuca Acosta   (805) 893-2307		
	Associate Director for School Services, Office of Admissions		
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	Lupe Navarro-Garcia   (805) 893-4089		
	Associate Dean, Student Academic Support Services		
IC Santa Cruz	Valeria Chavez-Ayala   (831) 459-2018		
OP AB 540 Student Services	Undocumented Student Services Coordinator		
	Anna L. Campos I (831) 459-3048		
	Retention Services Analyst		

# Welcoming and Supportive Campuses- CCC's

#### **Dream Resource Centers**

- > Chabot College
- Berkeley City College
- San Jose City College
- Skyline College
- > Santa Rosa Jr College
- Cañada College
- > Fresno City College
- Glendale College
- > Los Angeles Southwest
- Cosumnes Colleges
- College of San Mateo
- San Diego City College
- > Sierra College
- > San Bernardino
- Long Beach City



# Legal and Educational Policies in State and Federal Level

- **→** AB 540
- CA Dream Act (AB 130 and AB 131)
- AB 1645 (Student Support Services: Dreamer Resource Liaisons)
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)
- H.R. 6 American Dream and Promise Act of 2019

# Legal and Educational Policies in State and Federal Level

# **AB 540**

CA Assembly Bill passed in 2001 that allows undocumented students to pay in-state tuition when attending a college/university.

#### Requirements

- The student must have attended a high school (public or private) in California for three or more years.
- The student must have graduated from a California high school or attained the equivalent prior to the start of the term (for example, passing the GED or California High School Proficiency exam).
- Must register or be currently enrolled at an accredited institution of public higher education in California.
- Must file or will file an affidavit as required by individual institutions, stating that the filer will apply for legal residency as soon as possible.
- Must not hold a valid non-immigrant visa.

# AB 540 Affidavit

# California Nonresident Tuition Exemption Application Education Code § 68130.5, as amended, commonly known as AB 540

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# Legal and Educational Policies in State and Federal Level

#### CA Dream Act AB 130 and AB 131

- AB 130 opens certain scholarships administered by public institutions to AB 540 students
- AB 131 opens state-funded grants (including Cal grants, State grants, UC Grants & the CA College Promise Grant) and state programs (EOP & EOPS) to AB 540 students

#### Requirements

- AB 540 eligibility
- Individual scholarship requirements
- Priority filing deadline income guidelines
- GPA & other Cal grant eligibility
- Program requirements for EOP or EOPS

# CA Dream Act AB 130 and AB 131



# Other types of financial assistance

# Otros tipos de asistencia financiera

- Private Scholarships
- Fundraisers



2018-2019

LIST OF UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS THAT DON'T REQUIRE PROOF OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP OR LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENCY

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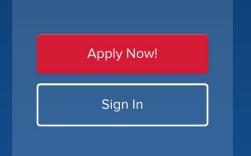
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2019	2019	2019	2019	2019

#### **AWARD**

Awards are based on merit; amounts range from \$500 to \$5,000, based on relative need, among the Scholars selected.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Must be of Hispanic heritage
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for high school students
- Minimum of 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for undergraduate and graduate students
- Plan to enroll full-time in an accredited, not-for-profit, four-year university, or graduate school, during the fall of a scholarship cycle (year)
- US Citizen, Permanent Legal Resident, DACA or Eligible Non-Citizen (as defined by FAFSA)
- Complete FAFSA or state based financial aid application (if applicable)

#### **OTHER**

- · All majors and graduate fields accepted
- Emphasis on STEM majors

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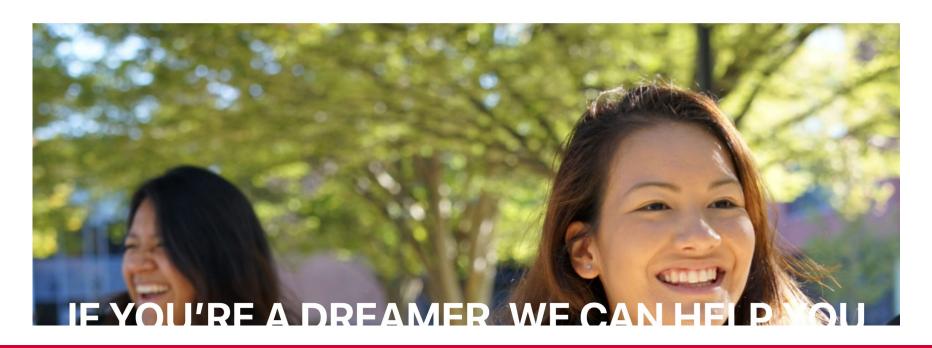
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#### **About the Award**

The National Scholarship Award will cover your tuition and fees up to a maximum of \$14,500 for an associate's degree and \$29,000 for a bachelor's degree, at one of our Partner Colleges. Please note, some Scholars may be eligible for an additional stipend of up to \$4,000 (or \$1,000 per year) for books, supplies, and transportation.

The Award is renewable each year – you simply have to meet the continuing eligibility criteria.

# More Than a Scholarship!

We have over 75 Partner Colleges in 15 states and Washington, D.C. that are committed to serving DREAMers and prepared to offer you the support services you need to help you successfully navigate your college life. Each of our Partner Colleges designates a Scholar Advisor to work with you and your fellow Scholars – individually and as a group. You will not be alone!

# **Important Dates**

- November 1, 2018 Applicant Opens
- December 18, 2018 Applicant Info
   Webinar
- January 29, 2019 Application Info
   Webinar Register Here:
   https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/re
- February 28, 2019, 11:59 PM. PT -Application Closes
- Late April 2019

   The Dream. US
   Awardees Notified

# **Apply Today**

# DREAMer's Roadmap

HELPING UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS FIND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH A
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# Legal and Educational Policies in State and Federal Level

# CA AB 1645- Student Support Services: Dreamer Resource Liaisons

"This bill, commencing with the 2020–21 academic year, would require the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and request the University of California, to designate a Dreamer Resource Liaison on each of their respective campuses, as specified, to assist students meeting specified requirements, including undocumented students, by streamlining access to all available financial aid, social services, state-funded immigration legal services, internships, externships, and academic opportunities for those students."

The bill would authorize the trustees, the board of governors, and the regents to seek and accept on behalf of the state any gift, bequest, devise, or donation for the creation and operation of Dream Resource Centers for their respective systems.

# Legal and Educational Policies in State and Federal Level

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)



# New Released Study on (DACA)

Dr. Roberto Gonzales, a professor at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and the principal investigator of the National UnDACAmented Research Project, is one of several researchers who have been studying the impact of (DACA) for nearly seven years.

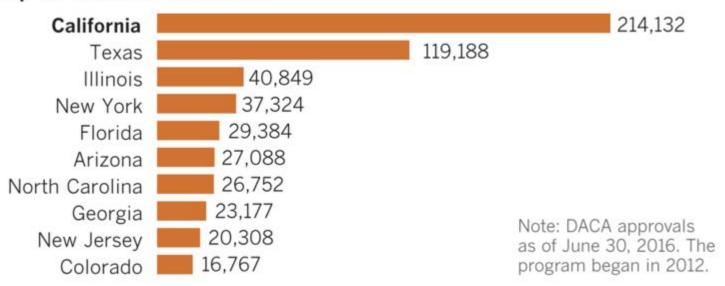
- ❖ DACA recipients have achieved "significant social mobility" by being able "to access jobs in the formal labor market, receive wage increases and promotions, and establish careers," the report states. The program also improved DACA recipients' ability to access vocational programs, community colleges, universities, and graduate schools.
- His new study finds that the Obama-era program has provided many long-term benefits to the more than 800,000 young immigrant adults who are now working and studying without fear of deportation, consequently fueling the nation's workforce and contributing billions of dollars to the economy.

# New Released Study on (DACA)

- \* While DACA protections apply nationwide, state policies shape how young immigrants are able to access jobs or educational opportunities.
- According to the report, while DACA has significantly lowered structural barriers that have impeded undocumented students' access to a college education, DACA beneficiaries in certain states are at a disadvantage because of exclusionary state policies.
- Another example involves professional licenses needed for nearly 30 percent of jobs, from cosmetologist to a medical professional. Licensing requirements vary across states.
- California, New York, and Illinois have passed legislation to allow DACA beneficiaries to enter licensed career fields after attaining the necessary academic credentials.

# California has the most DACA recipients

Top 10 states of residence

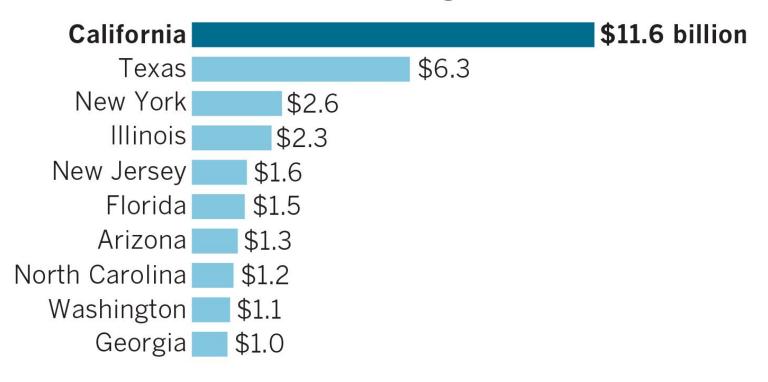


Sources: Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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## **Economic effects of ending DACA**

Estimated loss in GDP from removing DACA workers



#### Top countries of origin for individuals approved for DACA

Mexico

618,342 people

El Salvador 28,371

Guatemala 19,792

Honduras 18,262

Peru 9,066

Brazil 7,361

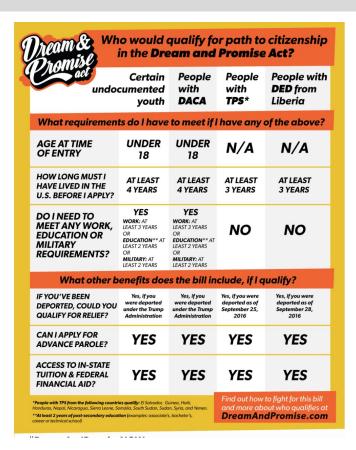
South Korea 7,250

Ecuador 6,696

Colombia 6,591

Argentina 4,774

#### Currently happening at the national level: Dream and Promise Act of 2019



- June 2019: House of Representatives passed the Dream and Promise Act
  - Allows certain undocumented youth a path towards citizenship
- Still waiting on the Senate to pass this legislation bill

### Currently happening at the national level

- On November 12th 2019, the U.S Supreme Court heard oral arguments in favor and against the DACA program
  - A final decision can be made between January 2020- June 2020
  - As of now, DACA renewals are being accepted by USCIS







**Keep DACA recipients &** immigrant families here.

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#### Developing Best Practices to Support Undocumented Students

- Creating Dream Resource Centers
- Designating a staff person as the Undocumented Student Coordinator Hosting and attending workshops on "Know Your Rights" Hosting and attending ally trainings for students/faculty/staff Providing Institutional financial support Supporting undocumented student run clubs/organizations

- Providing free legal services in colleges/universities
- Making your support visible through posters, stickers, information and resources
- Hosting undocumented student conferences at college/university campuses
- Adjusting service-learning opportunities
- Being informed about updated information regarding undocumented students

# Top 10 Ways to Support Undocumented Students From Immigrants Rising

- 1. Engage with an Open Mind
- 2. Create a Safe Space
- 3. Learn about Relevant Institutional Policies & Legislation
- 4. Find & Advocate for Scholarships and Financial Support
- 5. Build Your Own Educator Network
- 6. Connect Students to Undocumented Community Leaders and Role Models
- 7. Involve Parents
- 8. Access Reputable Legal Information & Assistance
- 9. Build Agency and Power
- 10. Create Spaces for Storytelling and Creative Expression

https://immigrantsrising.org/wp-content/uploads/Immigrants-Rising Top-10-Ways-to-Support-Undocumented-Students.pdf

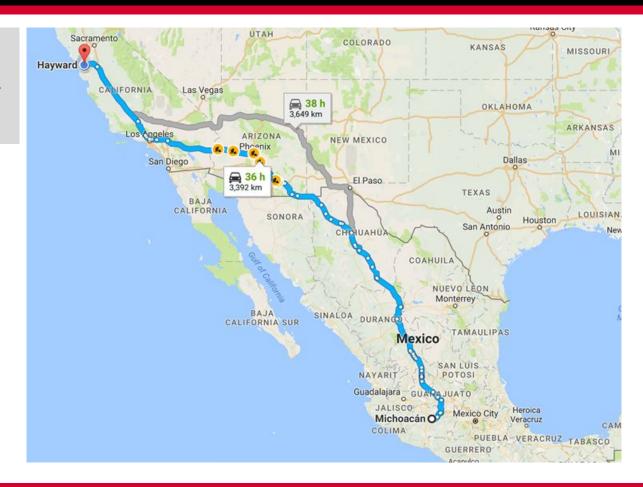
#### Things undocumented students should know

- The CA Dream Act and AB 540 do NOT depend on DACA!
- Access to the CA Colleges & Universities REMAINS OPEN!
- Information on the CA Dream App will NOT be shared with ICE!
- FERPA makes it a crime for schools to share student records without their permission

### Useful links/resources to support undocumented students

- https://immigrantsrising.org/
- https://unitedwedream.org/
- https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/student-services/resources-for-undocumented-students/Pages/default.aspx

# My immigration/education al journey



- 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Oakland Unified School District (OUSD)
- New educational system
- Language barrier
- D', C's, B's and couple of A's

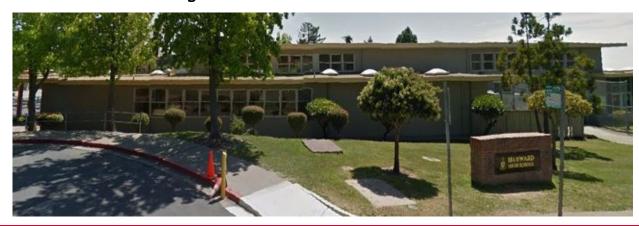


- Family moved to Hayward
- Hayward Unified School District (HUSD)
- New School
- Skipped a grade (instead of 7<sup>th</sup> went to 8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- New friends
- I was placed in a Migrant Education Program with HUSD
- Got A's, and B's
- Promoted to 9<sup>th</sup> grade with a
   3.5 GPA





- Hayward High School
- Freshman year, took A-G Requirements
- ❖ All A's
- Finished freshman year with a 4.0 GPA
- First week of June 2005- Letter from Migrant Education Program





#### UCLA Migrant Student Leadership Institute Summer 2005

- My 1<sup>st</sup> educational opportunity
- 4- week academic program
- Prepared high school 10th-12 grade migrant students to go to college
- 100 participants from the state
- Stayed in the dorms
- **CA AB 540 Bill, CCC, CSU's, UC's,**
- Test Requirements, Financial Aid, Immigrant Rights, Bilingual Education













- Spread of knowledge
- Good grades in 10<sup>th</sup>, 11th and 12 grade
- Senior year, applied to CSU's
- Graduated from HHS with a 3.5 GPA
- Accepted and enrolled at Cal State East Bay

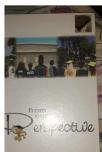












#### Undocumented student at CSUEB

- Close to home
- Affordable tuition
- Undocumented status hit me
- Couldn't apply to academic programs
- Rent a book
- Financial Aid



### Working as an undocumented student

- Worked at a restaurant in San Leandro as a janitor and dishwasher
- Worked 20+ hours per week Hard time focusing on school
- Quit the job





#### Undocumented student involved on campus

- Involved with student clubs and organization
- Member of MEChA
- Member of SQE
- Member of the Chicano Latino Graduation Committee
- Founded LEAD (Leading Educated Allied Dreamers)



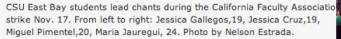






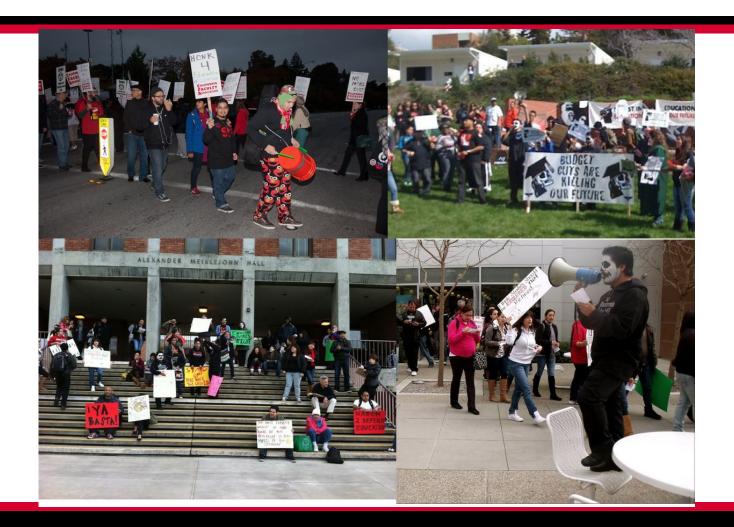






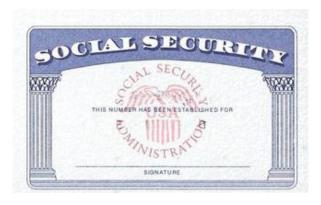






#### **Graduation season at CSUEB**

- Scare
- Lacking a social security number to enter the workforce
- Graduated from CSUEB in 2012 with a double Bachelors Degree in Ethnic Studies and Spanish



















#### From Undocumented to DACAmented

- June 15<sup>th</sup>2012 Executive Action (DACA) Qualify under this executive action
- Change my life
- Work permit
- Drivers License
- Travel, if it is related to education, work, or humanitarian



#### You may request DACA if you:

- 1. Were under the age of 31 as of June 15, 2012;
- 2. Came to the United States before reaching your 16th birthday;
- 3. Have continuously resided in the United States since June 15, 2007, up to the present time;
- 4. Were physically present in the United States on June 15, 2012, and at the time of making your request for consideration of deferred action with USCIS;
- 5. Had no lawful status on June 15, 2012;
- 6. Are currently in school, have graduated or obtained a certificate of completion from high school, have obtained a general education development (GED) certificate, or are an honorably discharged veteran of the Coast Guard or Armed Forces of the United States; and
- 7. Have not been convicted of a felony, significant misdemeanor, or three or more other misdemeanors, and do not otherwise pose a threat to national security or public safety.

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#### Working as a Young Professional after College

- Worked at a 6<sup>th</sup>- 12th charter school in **East Oakland**
- Worked for almost 4 years
  Office Assistant, Parent Coordinator,
  College & Academic Counselor's Aide,
  After School Educator, and Special
  Projects Manager

















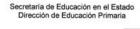






#### DACA- Advance Parole (1st time)

- Summer-June 2015
- Traveled to Puruaran, Michoacán Mexico for the first time after 14 years Educational Trip





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Puruarán, Mpio. Turicato, Mich., febrero, 12 de 2016.

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La que suscribe profesora, Maria del Carmen García Sánchez, Directora de la Esc. Prim. 'Mariano Matamoros 'Clave: 16DPR2604B, ubicada en la comunidad de Puruarán, Mpio. De Turicato, Michoacán; y perteneciente a la zona escolar 145 del

Se dirige a esta dependencia para informar que se le hace una invitación de carácter laboral a nuestra escuela, a la joven NANCY YAJAHIRA PIMENTEL DAVILA, quien tiene su domicilio en: 24191 Magna Ave Hayward CA 94544 y (Celular de su hermano) (510) 688- 6361, dicha invitación es para que nos apoye durante el período comprendido del 15 de junio al 23 de agosto de 2016, en las actividades relacionadas con la enseñanza del idioma ingles, así como en los talleres informativos y charlas que se realizaran con los padres de familia como apoyo en la educación de sus hijos.

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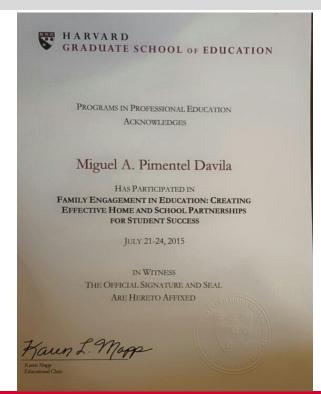


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#### Professional Development at Harvard University

- Summer- July of 2015 selected to participate in a one week professional development training at Harvard University Training on Family
- Engagement Met around 200 educators

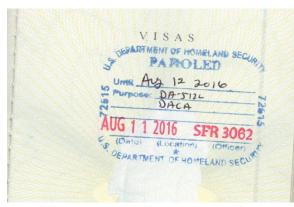




### DACA- Advance Parole (2nd time)

- Summer 2016
- Traveled to again to Puruaran, Michoacán Mexico
- Educational Trip Keynote Speaker for a middle high school graduation





#### **Graduate School-SJSU**

# SJSU SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY

 Accepted to the Counselor Education Masters Program at SJSU in the Fall 2016



#### SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY

Counselor Education Connie L. Lurie College of Education San José State University One Washington Square San José, CA 95192-0073 TEL: 408-92 FAX: 408-92

April 8, 2016

#### Miguel Angel Pimentel Davila:

Congratulations! After careful consideration of your application, we are pleased to inform you that you have been accepted into the Department of Counselor Education at San Jose State University.

Welcome!

All newly admitted students are required to attend a department orientation meeting prior to beginning coursework. Please check our department website: <a href="http://www.sjsu.edu/counselored/infomet/index">http://www.sjsu.edu/counselored/infomet/index</a> for dates, times and locations of our upcoming orientation meetings.

Registration for courses is completed online at MYSJSU (<a href="https://my.sjsu.edu">https://my.sjsu.edu</a>). You can view your registration appointment date and time for each term via your MYSJU account and you will be able to register for classes up to one week before classes begin or until the end of your registration appointment time. In your first semester, you should take, EDCO 215, 218, 248, and 232. If you are not going full time, take 215 and 218.

Below is a list of our core department faculty, who also serve as advisors. Newly admitted EDCO students are assigned advisors based on their last names. Please be sure to introduce yourself to your advisor sometime during your first semester. After you have completed two semester of coursework, you have the option to choose your own advisor. Continue to meet with an advisor each semester in order to complete your program of study.

## Graduate School- SJSU and working Full-time



- Fall 2016-Spring 2017
  ➤ Part-time student

- Fall 2017-Spring 2018
  ➤ Full-time student

  - Full-time employee
- Fall 2018-Spring 2019
  ➤ Full-time student

  - Full-time employee



## Foro Dreamers en Movimiento 2017- Nueva York (Dreamers Conference, May 2017)

- **Email from SJSU Financial Aid Office**
- Opportunity to participate in a Foro (conference) in New York (The City University of NY)
  Conference organized by the Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs, through the Institute for Mexicans Abroad (IME) and its Consular network in the United States
- Selected 120 Dreamers/undocumented youth across the U.S
- Only 20 from CA and 2 from the Bay Area
- Purpose
  - To network  $\triangleright$
  - To promote the empowerment of Dreamers and their communities
  - To promote our bi-national/cultural identity





















#### Back to CSUEB as a staff member

- June 2017, I was offered a
   position as an
   Administrative Support
   Coordinator for the
   Sophomore Transition
   Enrichment Program (STEP)
- Supported the Director,
   Coordinator, and Counselor
- Travel expenses
- Events
- Budget
- Day to day operations of the program





#### Back to CSUEB as a staff member

- June 2018, I was offered a position as an Academic Counselor for the STEP Program
  - Academic counseling
  - **➣ GE** planning
  - Declaring a major
  - Grade forgiveness
  - Academic petitions
  - Financial Aid liaison
  - Resources for AB540/DACA/Undocumented students
  - > Scholarships
  - Internships
  - Help to supervise 10 student assistants and tutors















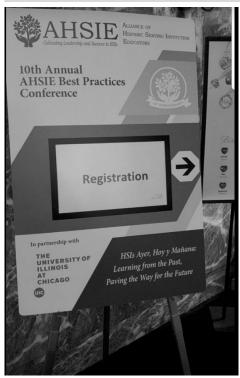






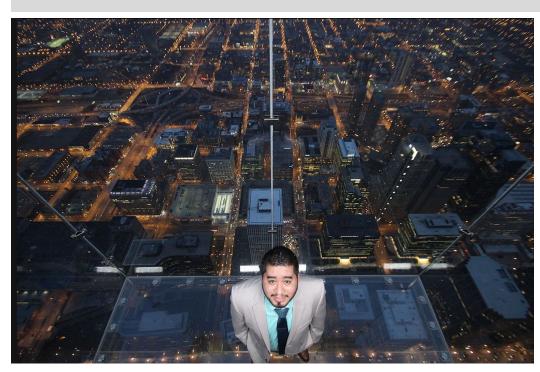


## STEP Program- Travel to national conferences (AHSIE) Chicago, IL





## **STEP Program**





## STEP Program- Travel to national conferences (HACU) San Juan, Puerto Rico













- Graduated in Spring 2019 with the M.A in Education/Counseling and Student Personnel
  - > PPS Credential
  - > CWA Credential
  - APCC (Associate Professional Clinical Counselor) Credential







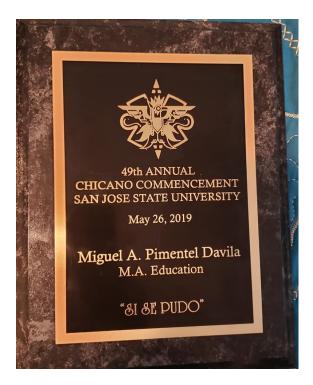














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- Andrea Carolina - Andrea, MS

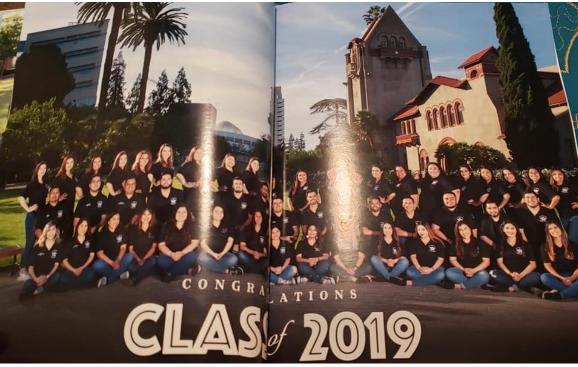
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- Belen Chavez Magnyar, MA

The journey for my Master's was DEFINITELY an interesting experience. Initially, I was done with Undergrad and I was ready just to settle with my degree. Life had an interesting way of telling me I was NOT DONE, and it was thanks to my Academic Advisors at AARS that I decided to pursue my Master's in Educational Counseling! It was a struggle (no lie) but I met amazing people along the way that I am thankful for every day as well as the experience of doing what I love to do: working in education! Si se pudo mi gente hermosa!

- Gabriela Saucedo, MA

















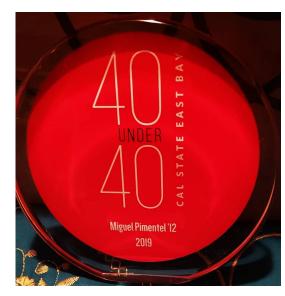




#### CSUEB 40 Under 40 Award

- ❖ June 2019, I was awarded the 40 under 40 Award
  - Program that identifies alumni age 40 or younger who have demonstrated dedication, excellence and development in their professional, philanthropic and personal endeavors





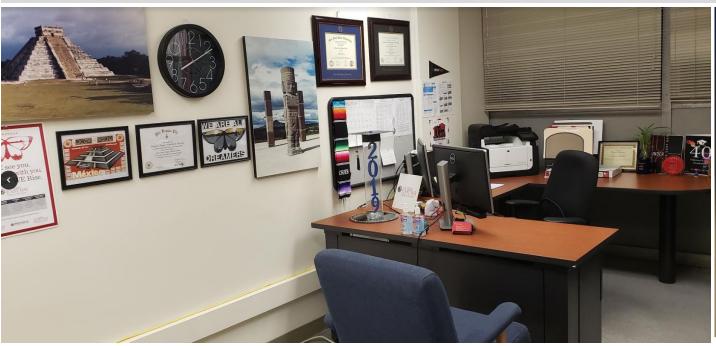
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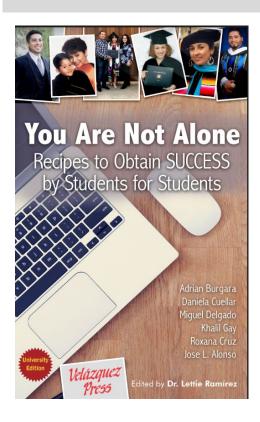
## **CSUEB STEP Counselor Office**





- ❖ Presenting in high school classrooms regarding undocumented students in higher education
- Co-Masters of Ceremony, Chicanx/Latinx Graduation Celebration, CSUEB 2018, 2019
- Presented at the Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate School, University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA. Identifying Pathways for AB540 and Undocumented Students in Graduate School
- ❖ Alumni Keynote Speaker, Chicanx/Latinx Graduation Celebration, CSUEB 2017
- Keynote Speaker, UndocuSpartan Welcome Day, San Jose State University
- ❖ Presenting at the Annual Education Summit, CSUEB
- ❖ Assisting/Presenting at the Spanish Speaking Family Orientation, CSUEB
- ❖ Presenting at the Week of Inclusive Excellence: Challenging Injustice, CSUEB
- Mentoring Latinx Chicanx students interested in the Education field
- Mentoring undocumented/DACA youth on getting into and graduate from higher education
- ❖ Mentoring families on how to support their children's k-12 and higher education

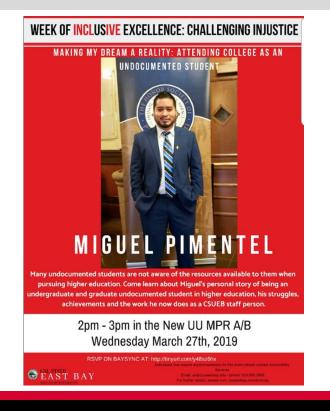
#### Co-author a book



- A resource designed by students, alumni, community, and faculty to help undergraduate students navigate their college experience. 65 stories of motivational, physical, emotional, social, academic, and financial challenges.
- **\*** Two chapters:
  - Undocumented Students in Higher Education and Tips to Succeed
  - Making my Dream a Reality: DACAmented Counselor in Higher Education









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## Organization Memberships/Recognitions

- 2019- 40 under 40 CSUEB Alumni Award
- 2018- Present, Member of San Jose State University Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
- 2018- Present, Member of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA)
- 2018- Present, Member of Association of Hispanic Serving Institution Educators (AHSIE)
- 2018- Present, Member of Hispanic Association of Hispanic Colleges and Universities (HACU)
- 2018- Present, MEChA Staff Advisor, CSUEB
- 2018- Present, STEP Club Staff Advisor, CSUEB
- 2017- Present, Member of the Chicanx Latinx Staff and Faculty Association, CSUEB
- 2017- Present, Member of the Undocumented Student Task Force, CSUEB
- \* 2017-Present, Puente Mentor, Chabot College



















#### Plans for the future

- Continue to work as a counselor at CSUEB
- Applying to the Doctorate (EdD) in Educational Leadership for Social Justice Program- CSUEB, SJSU, San Francisco State
- Completing the CA licencing requirements for the Licensed Professional
   Clinical Counselor
  - 3,000 post degree hours
  - Passing the National Clinical Mental Health Counselor Examination (NCMHCE) and the California Law and Ethics Exam
- Opening my own non-profit organization to provide educational and mental health services to under-represented communities of color

Thank you!

**Gracias!** 

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Q&A