

Will Immigration Reform Significantly Boost Online School Enrollment? A Prediction by OnlineSchool.com

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With the inevitable implementation of United States immigration reform in 2013, Onlineschool.com predicts a dramatic increase in enrollment numbers for accredited online schools. As more people in the United States become eligible for student loans and other assistance programs, the education industry will experience a increase in enrollment. This increase in students will demand more qualified teaching professionals, instructors, guidance counselors and financial aid representatives.

As an immigration reform package edges closer to reality, accredited online schools could soon be taking an active interest in recruiting teachers, professors and administrative assistants for the predicted increase in enrollment due to the acceleration of the legalization process for millions of undocumented immigrants. For people planning to pursue an online school degree, consideration of the impact that immigration reform is expected to have on distance learning may influence career decisions.

In a recent Washington Post article, President Obama's plan to overhaul U.S. Immigration laws is described as facilitating the ability for over 11 million undocumented foreigners to quickly obtain citizenship once decisive actions are implemented to enhance security measures on the Mexico/U.S. border. Although not exactly considered an amnesty, the President's plan would enable the majority of immigrants to become U.S. citizens by allowing them to take care of any fines or outstanding taxes owed for living in the U.S. as an undocumented worker without worrying about being deported.

By becoming U.S. citizens, previously undocumented immigrants will be permitted to legally enroll in online schools, provide necessary photo identification cards and apply for educational financial aid such as Pell grants, scholarships and Stafford loans. Additionally, with passage of immigration reform, newly declared Americans who cannot speak English will be able to enroll in online English language classes that will expedite their ability to fill out resumes and obtain employment in all industry sectors as a legal U.S. Citizen.

Authorization of immigration reform laws will also impact foreign students who are currently attending a U.S. university. Many of these students who are pursuing advanced degrees in the mathematics, engineering and technology fields may be more inclined to remain in the U.S. as a highly qualified, contributory member of the economy if immigration laws are simplified. A report by the Reuters news agency cites Alex Nowrasteh, a Cato Institute immigration specialist, as stating that according to research, twice as many immigrants are more inclined to start small businesses than natural U.S. citizens.

Not only does Onlineschool.com see a substantial surge in distance learning enrollment and employment, the website also agrees with many economists regarding the efficacy of immigration reform to boost a stagnant U.S. economy. With the potential for millions of people to gain access to the benefits of being legal citizens of the United States also comes the potential for much-needed growth in the housing industry as well as tax revenues. Moreover, immigration reform would encourage an interest in entrepreneurship and the development of small business, which is considered the backbone of the American economy.

Because the majority of undocumented foreigners come from countries where the unemployment rate is extremely high and poverty is the norm, most immigrants are too desperate and frightened to endure the red tape and complex bureaucracy involved with legally obtaining citizenship in the U.S. Relaxation of immigration laws will allow deserving people the opportunity to work and attend online school degree programs while simultaneously benefiting all sectors of the U.S. economy.

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