

Trump says 'fairly close' to agreement with Congress protecting DREAMers

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President Donald Trump and Democrats appear to have agreed on a framework for a legislative replacement for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals-the Obama-era program that shielded almost 800,000 undocumented immigrants from the threat of deportation and allowed them to legally work. While a DACA fix should include a review of the existing files for fraud (which may be widespread), administratively it would be relatively straightforward, since everyone involved is already in the database. In addition, the young people would receive permission to work and study.

Senior diplomacy major Taylor Cain organized a demonstration on campus on September 13.

Interim President Dr. Mary Meehan explained in a University-wide email what SHU's community should expect as DACA's repeal unfolds.

"We're going to get massive border security as part of that", Trump said.

Deborah Gonzalez, director of the immigration law clinic at the Roger Williams University School of Law, said the notion that DACA would be functioning for another six months was misleading. The Trump administration plan would honor all DACA recipients for up to two years, and those already covered under DACA whose eligibility expires by the start of March have until October 5 to apply for DACA protections.

Outside of Seton Hall's support, undocumented immigrants experience a less auxiliary atmosphere. But most undocumented immigrants aren't seeking citizenship, he said - just the ability to work without fear of deportation. Recognizing this, the University will cover the costs for students to renew their DACA status, Quinn said. This kind of social and emotional support can be forgotten when "working with our students, particularly undocumented and DACA students", Reyes added.

Roche says the Dream Act now before Congress is available for review on "Countable" the app created to connect users directly with Congress to make their voices heard.

"I agree with Ishani".

Nursing student, Germana Paradis, said, "These are kids we're talking about in a lot of situations. They have to return to a country where they don't even know the language; it's not really theirs".

When asked about the construction of a border wall, he said that would "come later".

Republicans in Congress, meanwhile, tried to make sense of the confusion. This event intends to educate attendees about DACA and implore them to write letters to their congressional representatives, according to Simon.

"We sincerely urge those of you who feels threatened in this way to reach out to Campus Ministry and CAPS counselors for assistance", Meehan wrote.

On Wednesday, Democratic leaders in Congress announced they had a deal with Trump to enshrine DACA through legislative action.

Taylor Cain, a senior diplomacy major, held a DACA demonstration by Seton Hall's seal, protesting Trump's decision. "But absolutely by no means will this White House discuss amnesty", she said, although most conservatives would consider "legal citizenship over a period of time" to meet the definition of amnesty.

CNN said that some arguments against DACA say that illegal immigration is promoted by the program.

The issue of whether Obama's executive order was proper is "separate from whether or not this is good education policy or good immigration policy", said Neal McCluskey, the director of the Center for Educational Freedom at the Cato Institute, a libertarian Washington think tank.

Dean of Students Karen Van Norman invites students to get civically engaged and contact your representatives.

"I'd suggest that anyone that gets mental health care related to this should make a request to their clinician that no records are made of their own or a family member's documentation status".