

From: **Terry Papillon**

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Subject: Today's DACA Announcement

To: Students in the College

Dear Students,

As you may be aware, earlier today the Attorney General announced that the administration is rescinding the DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) program. The announcement did not offer details, although according to news reports, Homeland Security Acting Secretary Elaine Duke has said that no current beneficiaries will be affected before March 5 of 2018. Certainly no one knows exactly what any future legislation will precisely say, and the University will continue to monitor the situation and communicate with students as more information becomes available.

The University is committed to supporting all of our students and, along with many other institutions, is [on record in supporting DACA](#). Today's announcement did not offer much specific information, and some may feel anxious in this period of uncertainty. Below are some staff and offices that are ready to assist you if you have concerns or questions as a result of the announcement about the DACA Program.

Sincerely,

Terry L. Papillon, Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College
W. Marichal Gentry, Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students

For information (some links are to individuals, some to offices):

General Concerns and Support: [Eric Benjamin](#), [Becky Spurlock](#)

Global Travel and Study Abroad: [Abby Colbert](#) in the [Office of Global Citizenship](#)

Confidential offices:

[The Wellness Center](#) (Counseling services)

[The Chaplain's Office](#)

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