



ST. LOUIS GRADUATES

St. Louis Graduates Professional Development Institute Supporting DACA Students in Postsecondary Education

Friday, October 23 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

William J. Harrison Center, St. Louis Community College, 3140 Cass Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63106

8:00 AM **Coffee and conversation**

8:30 – 8:45 AM **Welcome, Introductions and Wisdom/Questions from the Room**

- **Drew Schwartz**, Director of Learning and Career Development, Education Plus
- **Cynthia Curry Crim**, Grants Manager, Commerce Bank and Member of St. Louis Graduates Steering Committee

8:45 – 10:00 AM **Immigration Status from a Legal Perspective**

What Does It Mean to be DACA? (30 minutes)

- **Kenneth Schmitt**, Founder and Principal, US Legal Solutions, and Member, American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)
- **What Counselors Need to Know NOW About Missouri Law Affecting DACA Students (30 minutes)**
- **Karissa Anderson**, Manager of Advocacy and Policy Research, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis/St. Louis Graduates

Question and Answer Session (15 minutes)

10:00 – 10:45 AM **Immigration Status from a Student Perspective**

- **Point of View: Don't Tell Anyone** – video clip from PBS

Response Panel:

- Moderator: **Felipe Martinez**, Immigrant Student Advisor, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis
- **Karina Arango**, ELL Coordinator, International Welcome Center, Ritenour School District
- **Maria Vargas**, Student, St. Louis Community College-Meramec
- **Karissa Anderson**, Manager of Advocacy and Policy Research, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis/St. Louis Graduates

10:45 – 11:00 AM **Break and Reflections**

- Share reflections on the flip charts: *What stood out about what you've heard this morning?*
- Share questions for the presenters in the question box

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM **What Schools Can Do – How Counselors Can Support Students**

Counseling Strategies to Support Students: Ten Things Counselors Need to Consider in Advising DACA Students and Their Families (30 minutes)

- **Felipe Martinez**, Immigrant Student Advisor, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis

What Institutions Can Do to Support Students: SIUE's Approach (15 minutes)

- **Todd Burrell**, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville

Where to Turn for Help: Counseling Tools and Resources (15 minutes)

- **Felipe Martinez**, Immigrant Student Advisor, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis

12:00 – 12:30 PM **Lunch and Small Group Discussion**

Topic: ***What are the things you will do differently now that you know what you know?***

Small Group Facilitators:

- Felipe Martinez, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis
- Karina Arango, Ritenour School District
- Karissa Anderson, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis
- Teresa Steinkamp, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis
- Todd Burrell, SIUE
- Betsy Cohen, St. Louis Mosaic Project

12:30 -12:55 PM **Report Out: Identified Action Steps**

1:00 PM Adjourn

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