



## FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION

FSR 2017-2018-01

### I. RESOLUTION NAME:

Commitment to Support UCO's DACA Students

### II. STATED RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS to be granted Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status applicants (Dreamers) must meet arrival and residence standards for acceptance into the program (must have arrived in the U.S. before their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, have lived in the U.S. continuously since June 15, 2007, were born on or after June 16, 1981, were physically present in the U.S. on June 12, 2012 and at the time they requested DACA status, had no lawful status on June 15, 2012),

WHEREAS Dreamers must have completed high school or a GED, be enrolled in school or have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the U.S. and are without a felony conviction, three or more other misdemeanors and do not pose a threat to public safety or national security,

WHEREAS Dreamers have established themselves in the schools, military, and/or society of the U.S. and have become valued members of civic and educational communities across the country,

WHEREAS Dreamers work and contribute to the U.S.,

WHEREAS most Dreamers regard the U.S. as home and have limited or no recollection of the customs, language or place of any other country, having arrived here at such a young age,

WHEREAS it is cruel and unusual to uproot and displace persons who have complied with the requirements presented to them to qualify for DACA status,


WHEREAS the deportation of highly motivated accomplished Dreamers will damage businesses and our economy,

WHEREAS it would be unprecedented to strip 800,000 compliant well-vetted young Dreamers of their continued school and employment opportunities and send them to what would amount to foreign countries to them,

WHEREAS ending DACA and deporting Dreamers would impact students, faculty, and staff at UCO and does not support UCO's commitment to full inclusivity under the law,

We as the UCO Faculty Senate hereby resolve to support their continued DACA status without threat or interruption and prevail on our state and federal representatives to create a legal and safe environment for Dreamers.

Submitted by: Dawn Holt, Lindsey Churchill, and Nikki Seagraves, Faculty Senators  
Revised by Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
Unanimously approved by the UCO Faculty Senate 14 September 2017

  
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