

# UNDOCUMENTED

## Student Resource Guide

2021 - 2022



California State  
University

MULTICULTURAL  
DREAM CENTER

CHANNEL  
ISLANDS

# Campus Resources & Support

## Multicultural Dream Center

The Multicultural Dream Center (MDC) provides resources, services, and education to support the cultivation of an inclusive campus community. The MDC supports all students, with a particular focus on marginalized populations, through mentorship, intercultural programs, retreats, workshops, and trainings. These various initiatives are geared towards fostering identity development, critical thinking, reflection, and dialogue across difference to support student retention and academic success.

## Mariposa's Achieving & Resisting (MAR)

MAR is a program for undocumented students at CI, to ensure your academic success. The program is focused on meeting with you individually to support your academic, personal, and post-graduation goals. We host workshops, socials and other events to support community building within the community. To participate in this program, contact Natalie Johnson ([natalie.johnson@csuci.edu](mailto:natalie.johnson@csuci.edu)) to get involved.

## Undocumented Student Resources

Additional resources on-campus, in the local community, and nationally. These resources are to offer students resources to build community and to expand their understanding of various marginalized populations.

## Undocumented Student Ally Training

To support an inclusive environment at CSU Channel Islands the Multicultural Dream Center host trainings to ensure faculty, staff and student employees to support undocumented students. So if you see this key in an office, you know they have been through at least one training to support undocumented students.



## Free Immigration Legal Services

Direct immigration legal services are available free of charge to CSU students, employees and immediate relatives (i.e. parents, children spouses, and siblings). Attorneys and paralegals are available to assist students with general consultations, DACA renewals and general assistance in filling out forms such as family-based petitions. This project aims to serve undocumented students, students with immigration questions, staff and faculty. **Schedule a meeting with the immigration lawyer.**

## Diversity and Inclusion Student Council

The Diversity and Inclusion Student Council (DISC) is open to all students who are interested in opportunities to create and foster a more inclusive campus in partnership with the Multicultural Dream Center. Our mission is to empower students to build an inclusive campus environment that is safe and welcoming for all. Through this online group, you will build a community and actively make a difference. Email Kem French ([kem.french@csuci.edu](mailto:kem.french@csuci.edu)) to join.

## Student Organization

### **I.D.E.A.S. (Improving Dreams Equality, Access, and Success) Club**

We are a student organization which advocates, promotes and brings awareness to our campus regarding undocumented students and other immigrant issues.

### **League of United Latin American Citizens**

As a Collegiate Council we will also focus on student leadership and student development as advocates in our professions, studies, and disciplines. LULAC belongs to a national organization committed to advocating for the Latino Population in the U.S. This organization also advocates and supports undocumented students through various programming efforts.

# CSUCI Courses

## [HIST 401 - Immigration, Race, and Citizenship in the United States](#)

Examines the broad arc of immigration history in the United States from the colonial period to the present. The course traces the diverse experiences of immigrants from Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Americas. In addition to exploring the immigrant experience, the course analyzes the evolving relationship between immigration and constructions of race, ethnicity, and citizenship across time and place.

## [SOC 380 - Sociology of Immigration](#)

Applies sociological theories, concepts, and methodologies to understand historic and contemporary immigration to United States and other parts of world. Explores how immigrant experience intersects with social structures and institutions.

## [CHS 425 - Immigration & the Latina/o Community](#)

Cross disciplinary examination of the economic, political, and social causes of Latin American immigration, and its impact on the Latina/o community in the United States.

## [POLS 348 - Immigration Politics and Policy](#)

Provides multi-disciplinary insight into various aspects of migration and immigration politics and policy. Students explore historical trends, myths, root causes, political movements, public opinion, and potential policy prescriptions. Approaches the issue of immigration from a variety of standpoints: legal, political, social, historical, and theoretical in order to analyze immigration policy and ways of thinking about migration and the nation-state.

## [CHS 331 - Transborder Theory & Writing](#)

Focuses on the major theoretical concepts in transborder studies as they apply to Chicana/o studies in the areas of culture, identity, migration, gender and sexuality, and cultural production.

## Academic Journals & Resources

[UC Collaborative to Promote Immigrant and Student Equity](#)

[Undocumented Student Equity Project](#)

[The Immigration and Ethnic History Newsletter](#)

[Georgetown Immigration Law Journal](#)

[The Immigration History Newsletter](#)

[Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health](#)

# Scholarship Resources



## [Immigrants Rising - List of Undergraduate Scholarships](#)

Immigrant Rising's List of Undergraduate Scholarships contains scholarships for undergraduate studies that don't require proof of citizenship or legal permanent residency. This up-to-date list, organized by deadline date, contains scholarships at the local (Bay Area), state and national level.

## [SOS Immigrant Student Scholarship](#)

The Students of Salaam (SOS) Immigrant Student Scholarship Fund launched in 2018 to support the academic and professional goals of immigrant students, regardless of citizenship status, through personalized mentorship and financial assistance. We care about who you are, and what your goals are — your application is reviewed holistically, and there are no GPA or test score cutoffs.

## [The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans](#)

The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans are for up to two years graduate study in the professions and academic disciplines at any institution of higher learning in the United States. The prestigious Fellowships are funded by a trust established by Paul and Daisy Soros.

## [Davis-Putter Scholarship](#)

Although not specifically for undocumented students, this award does not discriminate on the basis of national identity—quite the opposite. The Davis-Putter Scholarship goes to undergraduate and graduate students working for social or economic justice in their communities. In addition to transcripts, applicants submit a personal statement, letters of recommendation that attest to their progressivism, and financial information. Activism is the key criteria.



## [Golden-Door Scholarship](#)

Any aspiring undergrad with DACA or TPS status can apply for this award, but the scholarship committee prioritizes students in states that bar DACA students from receiving in-state tuition benefits. Scholarships are distributed on the basis of academic merit and leadership abilities, and go toward attendance at one of 17 partner schools. To maintain funding, scholarship recipients must earn a 3.0 GPA.

## [GMiS Scholarship](#)

The Hispanic Engineer National Achievement Awards Corporation (HENAAC) distributes multiple scholarships each year; some require U.S. citizenship but many do not. Applicants should be entering a STEM field at the undergraduate or graduate level, have a 3.0 GPA, have strong ties to the Hispanic community, and show leadership at the community or campus level.



## [Hispanic Scholarship Fund \(HSF\) Scholarship](#)

DACA students of Hispanic heritage are eligible for HSF funds, whether they're off to community college or grad school. Merit is the main factor in who receives funding, while financial need determines how much. High school graduates with a GPA of 3.0 or higher are considered; current college students need a 2.5 to be eligible.



## [Que Lleva Café Scholarship](#)

Chicano Organizing & Research in Education (CORE) gives this award to undocumented high school graduates of Chicano and Latino descent who are getting ready to enroll in a U.S. college. Scholarships are granted based on the candidate's personal narrative, extracurricular activities and academic potential.

## [La Unidad Latina Foundation Scholarship](#)

The residency requirements for this award state only that applicants must reside in the U.S., leaving the door open to undocumented students who have completed at least one year of undergraduate study with a 2.8 GPA. Those who receive funding should have a demonstrable history of civic leadership in the Latino community, which should be supported in a reference letter. Graduate students are welcome to apply.



## [Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers \(SHPE\) Scholarships](#)

Membership in SHPE is a prerequisite for earning any of the society's scholarships, but citizenship or legal status is not required except for some corporate-funded awards. SHPE provides separate awards for graduating high school seniors, undergraduates, graduate students, working students and doctoral candidates. Each award requires students to hold a 2.75 GPA and be pursuing a degree in a STEM field. Scholarship decisions and funding amounts depend on academic merit and financial need.



## [TheDream.US National Scholarship](#)

The National Scholarship helps students who are eligible for in-state tuition attend one of 75 colleges that partner with TheDream.US. To receive the award —worth \$12,500 toward an associate or \$25,000 toward a bachelor's degree — students must hold a high school or community college degree but not be currently enrolled in college; must demonstrate significant financial need; and must have applied for or received DACA status. (Scholarship applicants need only be eligible for DACA, but to actually receive the award they will need to seek DACA status.) Applicants submit two essays, household income statements, a reference and DACA documentation. Full-time students who earn a 3.0 can renew the award.



## [UNCF Scholarships](#)

UNCF has helped more than 500,000 students earn their college degrees since its founding. UNCF is the nation's largest private scholarship provider to minority group members.



## [Thurgood Marshall College Fund Open Scholarships](#)

Established in 1987, the Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCFF) is the nation's largest organization exclusively representing the Black College Community. This website lists open scholarships for college students

## [Sallie Mae and Thurgood Marshall College Fund](#)

Starting in 2021, The Sallie Mae Fund, our charitable foundation, will launch scholarship programs to further promote diversity in higher education among minority students and other historically underserved communities.

## [Create Real Impact \(ages 14-22\)](#)

The Create Real Impact project was created by Impact Teen Drivers to ask young people how to talk about reckless and distracted driving. Young people enter to win cash and prizes by showcasing graphic design, music, video and creative writing to address reckless and distracted driving and solve the problem.

## [PepsiCo Cesar Chavez Latino Scholarship](#)

Hispanic students who are beginning or continuing their studies at higher educational institutions in Arizona and California's Central Valley are invited to apply for the PepsiCo Cesar Chavez Latino Scholarship Fund.

# Mental Health & Wellness

## Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

**Hours:** Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm (Summer hours vary)

**Address:** Bell Tower East, Room 1867 (on-campus) | **Phone:** (805) 437-2088

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) provides short-term mental health services in a confidential setting to assist CSUCI students in achieving their academic and personal pursuits. CAPS is pleased to provide a wide range of services to assist the campus community including:

- Individual counseling
- Group counseling
- Couples counseling
- Psychiatric consultation
- Crisis intervention
- 24/7 phone counseling
- Consultation with faculty, staff, and loved ones
- Outreach
- Relaxation Room
- Psychoeducational resources



## Ventura County Behavioral Health

**Call Toll-Free - Confidential - 24 Hours A Day, 7 Days A Week**

**Crisis and Referral Line:** 1-866-998-2243

**Substance Use Treatment:** 1-844-385-9200

**Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** 1-800-273-8255

Ventura County Behavioral Health offers services for people looking for help for mental health and substance use issues. We reach out to the general population, those already getting help, and those seeking help.

## Title IX and Inclusion Office - CSUCI

Title IX & Inclusion serves as an expert campus-wide resource that works with partners across CSUCI to cultivate and promote an inclusive and safe learning and working environment. Responsible for the development and administration of comprehensive equity programs, the office manages equal opportunity compliance, including the areas of affirmative action and Title IX, and collaboratively facilitates community engagement and education on matters of social diversity, inclusion and social justice. Title IX & Inclusion also oversees response to the University's nondiscrimination policies.

## CSUCI Basic Needs Program

The Basic Needs Program exists to provide support to students experiencing a basic necessity insecurity. Our strategy focuses on short-term mediation while we work with students to find long-term solutions.



## Immigrants Rising

Immigrants Rising's Mental Health Connector provides undocumented young people with psychological support, allowing you to access your strengths and resiliency in order to achieve your personal goals and healing.

## Oxnard Wellness Center

**Hours:** Monday-Saturday, Call Center 9 am - 4 pm / Peer Support 9 am - 8 pm

**Address:** 2697 Saviers Road, Oxnard, CA | **Phone:** (805) 653-5045

As you know, Turning Point's Wellness Center serves the most vulnerable members of our community. We are doing all that we can to provide essential services to our program members and our community, while keeping everyone safe and adhering to the recommendations from public health agencies.

While our daily routines are disrupted our essential resources have pivoted as a sign of the times.

Please reach out. We are here to help you navigate the resources available:

- Mental Health one on one support from a Peer Support Specialist, including WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Plan)
- Community Resources/Referrals
- Food Pantries
- Meal Service Locations
- Assist in obtaining mental health services



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## Immigration - American Psychological Association

APA supports practical, humane immigration policies that consider the needs of immigrants, and particularly immigrant families, while also recognizing the need to balance these policies with national security and public safety.

## Immigrant Child Health Toolkit

This section of the toolkit addresses mental health considerations for immigrant children and pediatric assessments for children who may need mental health services. Disruption to families, education and witnessing traumatic events compound developmental concerns. Assessment of mental health among children in immigrant and refugee families involves several key elements.

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## INCLUSIVE THERAPISTS

Inclusive Therapists offers a safer, simpler way to find a culturally responsive, social justice-oriented therapist. We are a mental health justice movement pursuing equity and liberation through education, collective care, and activism.



## Informed Immigrant

There is a tremendous amount of uncertainty in today's immigration enforcement environment. Not knowing what you can expect for your future, or the futures of your family and friends, is stressful. Even as you may be experiencing anxiety, you can simultaneously be connecting to community or family members in ways that produce resiliency and joy. It is important to recognize that joy and love can coexist with stress and anxiety, and all of these feelings are valid. The information below provides tips for managing the emotional and spiritual well-being of yourself and others.



# Mental Health & Wellness (cont.)

## [Informed Immigrant - How to Support Undocumented Students' Mental Health](#)

Educators, school counselors, and faculty remain the first line of support for students impacted by immigration. In these confusing and often frightening times, it's important to provide support for students who may not be equipped to process them. This is a resource for educators supporting undocumented students and students from mixed-status families who are experiencing trauma and anxiety. We hope using it will help alleviate some of these feelings of despair, hopelessness, or even just confusion.

## [Mental Health Resources for Black, Indigenous and People of Color \(BIPOC\)](#)

In addition to COVID-19, recent events have brought heightened attention to the specific stressors faced by Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) communities, who may be experiencing heightened fear, anger and grief at this time. Consistent with the Guide's mission to provide timely mental health resources, we highlight a range of resources that may be useful to BIPOC-

identifying individuals seeking support for mental health concerns and/or coping with race-related stressors, whether current and/or historical, as well as those hoping to share available resources to their patients. Mass General Psychiatry is not affiliated with, nor does it directly endorse, any non-MGH organizations listed here. This list is intended only to share resources currently available in the broader community.



## [55 Mental Health Resources for People of Color](#)

Mental illness does not discriminate: Nearly 20% of U.S. adults experience a mental illness each year, regardless of race or ethnicity. And while it's clear that mental health is a crosscutting issue that affects all communities, providing effective services for people of color requires acknowledging and understanding their different lived realities.

In this webpage, OnlineMSWPrograms.com collected resources that have been tailored to the mental health needs of various racial and ethnic groups.

## [HOPE: Center for Wellness](#)

Hope Center for Wellness, LLC is a multicultural and bilingual mental health practice focused on holistic healing of individuals and communities, and strengthening the programmatic and clinical skills of organizations, schools, and government agencies.





# Community Resources



## [211 Ventura County](#)

**Phone:** dial 2-1-1 or (800) 339-9597

211 Ventura County, a program of *Interface Children & Family Services*, is the comprehensive information and referral service for Ventura County. We connect over 30,000 Ventura County callers and texters each year with information about health and human services available to them. 211 Ventura County phone and text service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. 211 is available in 150 languages through phone interpretation services.

## [County of Ventura: Human Services Agency](#)

### [Community-Based Resources and Events](#)

Includes resources and events on basic assistance, career & business, community, Coronavirus support, counseling & mental health, education & training, health & nutrition, HSA, opportunities for youth, support for parents & families, and support for seniors.



## [League of United Latin American Citizens \(LULAC\)](#)

The Mission of the League of United Latin-American Citizens is to advance the: Economic Condition, Educational Attainment, Housing & Health and Civil Rights of the Latino Population of the United States.

## [El Concilio](#)

**Address:** 301 South C Street, Oxnard CA 93030 | **Telephone:** (805) 486-9777

**Hours:** Mon- Wed 8:30 am - 5:30 pm, Thurs 8:30 am - 6:30 pm, Fri 10:00 am -11:30 & 1:00- 5:00 pm

To provide direct assistance and educational programs to the underserved Latino Community. The majority of our clients are agricultural and service sector workers and the wellbeing of their families is vital to a stable and productive economy.



## [Mixteco Indigena Community Organization Project](#)

To support, organize and empower the indigenous migrant communities in California's Central Coast.

## [Central American Resource Center \(CARECEN\)](#)

### **Los Angeles Office**

**Address:** 2845 W. 7th St. Los Angeles, CA 90005

Since its founding in 1983, when thousands of Central Americans fled the brutality of civil war, CARECEN has been working to change an unjust immigration system, win legal status for immigrants, and foster community activism on issues such as education reform, workers' and immigrants' rights, economic justice and community strengthening.



## [California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.](#)

**Hours:** Mon-Wed: 8:30am-5:30am / Thurs: 8:30am-6:30pm / Friday: 10am - 11:30am, pm-5pm

**Address:** 338 South "A" Street Oxnard, CA 93030 | **Phone:** (805) 486-1068

California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. (CRLA) is a nonprofit legal service program created to help California's low-income individuals and communities. We represent all types of individuals and communities. We have offices from the Mexican border to Northern California. CRLA was founded in 1966 to help rural communities because those communities were not receiving legal help. CRLA has 18 offices to continue to meet the legal needs of these communities. The impact of CRLA's litigation has touched the lives of literally millions of low-income individuals, improving conditions for farm workers, single parents, school children, the elderly, people with disabilities, and entire communities.

# Activism

## Immigrants Rising

We empower undocumented young people to achieve educational and career goals through personal, institutional and policy transformation.



## CAUSE

CAUSE is a base-building organization committed to social, economic, and environmental justice for working-class and immigrant communities in California's Central Coast. We build grassroots power through community organizing, leadership development, coalition building, civic engagement, policy research, and advocacy.



## National Immigration Law Center

Established in 1979, the National Immigration Law Center (NILC) is one of the leading organizations in the U.S. exclusively dedicated to defending and advancing the rights of immigrants with low income.



## ASPIRE

The mission of ASPIRE is to empower undocumented Asian Pacific Islander youth and young adults to educate, advocate, organize, and mobilize for the rights of immigrant families. Our vision is to build an inclusive and socially just society.

## The Immigrant Legal Resource Center

Working with and educating immigrants, community organizations, and the legal sector to help build a democratic society that values diversity and the rights of all people



## Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund

Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF) is a civil rights organization that offers legal representation to Latinos throughout the U.S. It documents its efforts on its homepage on a near-daily basis, serving as a de facto news service on litigation related to immigrant rights, voting rights, employment and education.

## UNIDOS US

As part of its broad agenda of supporting Latino communities, the National Council of La Raza (NCLR) is concerned with educational attainment and nondiscriminatory immigration policies.

Student advocates should look to its extensive affiliate network to find community organizations working alongside NCLR on these issues.



## United We Dream

United We Dream is a youth-led organization that fights for fair treatment of young immigrants. Active in 26 states, United We Dream assists families threatened with deportation. Also, through its DREAM Educational Empowerment Program (DEEP), it supplies online toolkits for youth attempting to go to college. One initiative available to administrators is UndocuPeers, a certification program that teaches K-12 and higher education officials how to better serve undocumented students.



## Students Deserve

Students Deserve is working towards Making Black Lives Matter in Schools. We want schools to divest from criminalization and policing. We want schools to invest in us as Black, Muslim, undocumented, indigenous, and queer youth in poor and working class communities of color.

## League of United Latin American Citizens

The Mission of the League of United Latin American Citizens is to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing, health and civil rights of the Hispanic population of the United States. This organization also hosts various DACA Clinics and offers other valuable resources in the community.



# Internship & Career Resources

## [#undocuhustle](#)

We're here to show you how to leverage your skills, knowledge and experience to generate income through contracting or business start-up opportunities.

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## [Immigrants Rising](#)

Immigrants Rising's Career Development Program will provide undocumented college students and recent college graduates in California with the career-specific hands-on training, professional development, and mentoring they need to be able to launch their careers.

## [Immigrants Rising - TIPS TO GET STARTED AS AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR/FREELANCER](#)

Learn how to get started as an independent contractor or freelancer. This guide outlines the entire process from industry research to contracts and taxes.

## [Immigrants Rising - CHOOSING A BUSINESS STRUCTURE \(GUIDE\)](#)

This guide lists four main types of business structures (sole proprietorship, partnership, corporations, and Limited Liability Company or Worker Coops) an undocumented individual can engage in and gives a brief description of its structure and list of required documents and identifications.

## [Immigrants Rising - Entrepreneurship Newsletter](#)

We are proud to announce Immigrants Rising's first-ever entrepreneurship email newsletter, created by our Entrepreneurship Ambassadors! You are receiving this newsletter because you previously expressed interest in our entrepreneurship programming. Immigrants Rising provides resources, knowledge and financial support for immigrant entrepreneurs regardless of status, at any stage of their journey. In this newsletter you will find inspiring stories of immigrant entrepreneurs, connect to networks that support immigrant entrepreneurs and access resources to help you get started or grow your existing business.



# Intersectionality

## Black and Latinx

Intersections on Global Blackness and Latinx Identity re-centers Africa, the Caribbean, and Latin America in global history. By understanding how black and Latinx identity is shaped by traveling across borders, these courses explore the diversity within African and Latinx diasporas, but also how these diverse peoples impact their worlds.

THOSE THAT DON'T GOT IT, CAN'T SHOW IT. THOSE THAT GOT IT, CAN'T HIDE IT.

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## USCDornsife

ERI believes that we should center the voices of socially, economically, racially environmentally marginalized communities in our work. Collaboration with community partners expands our perspective, makes for better research and policy recommendations, and co-creates effective power-building strategies.



## BLACK UNDOCUMENTED SPACES

An estimated 575,000 (16%) Black immigrants were living in the U.S. without authorization in 2013, according to the Pew Research Center study, making up 16% of all Black immigrants population.

## The Network

The UndocuBlack Network (UBN) is a multigenerational network of currently and formerly undocumented Black people that fosters community, facilitates access to resources, and contributes to transforming the realities of our people, so we are thriving and living our fullest lives.

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## Immigration and Immigrant Rights

Asian Americans have been part of the American story since its earliest days. From those who traveled to the U.S. as a result of changing immigration policies, to refugees who came to American shores in search of safety, to recent immigrants who continue to join our nation in search of the famed "American Dream," the one indisputable truth about our community is its breadth, diversity, and resilience.

## Real Talk

Maya Cueva makes documentary films that cover the heavy topics: immigration, reproductive justice and xenophobia.



## ASPIRE

We are a community of undocumented Asians and Pacific Islanders who support each other through resource sharing, leadership development, and personal relationships. The First Pan-Asian Undocumented Youth Group in the USA.

## The Immigrant Legal Resource Center

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) immigrants often face unique challenges due to their sexual orientation or gender identity. Some flee persecution in their home countries or have experienced discrimination and trauma in the United States. Others need assistance in changing their gender marker and official documents or navigating a family-based immigration case



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