



The Titan Dreamers Resource Center is designed to provide undocumented students with academic and emotional support, referrals to financial assistance, information on programs and services designed to improve retention and graduation rates, and a comforting environment where students can connect with one another.

Programs & Services

The Titan Dreamers Resource Center (TDRC) will be staffed by a full-time coordinator and support staff who are knowledgeable and sensitive about the issues affecting undocumented students. Center staff will provide:

- Referrals to academic and career advising
- Assistance with completing the AB 540 Affidavit, the California Dream Act application for financial aid, and with applying to scholarships for which students are fully eligible
- Referrals to reliable resources for legal advice
- Co-curricular engagement opportunities
- Mentoring support
- Ally training and access to allies
- Counseling and wellness support
- Workshops and programs that cover a wide range of topics including: navigating the University, intersections of identity, leadership development, and applying to graduate school

Physical Features

The center provides study and meeting space that can comfortably accommodate visitors. Some features include:

- WiFi accessibility
- Projector, screen, and speakers to host meetings, seminars, trainings, workshops, lectures, retreats, film screenings, discussions, and other programs
- Cell phone charging station
- Easily accessible USB wall outlets, and regular three-prong outlets
- Eco-friendly water-bottle filling station

Contact Information

Pollak Library North, Room 203 (PLN-203)
800 N. State College Blvd., Fullerton, CA 92831

Hours of Operation: Monday - Thursday, 9:00AM - 7:00PM

Telephone Number: (657) 278-3234

History

For close to 30 years, there has been an organic, dedicated, and passionate group of staff and faculty at California State University, Fullerton (CSUF), that have assisted undocumented students in their daily pursuit of a higher education.

In spring 2008, then Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Robert L. Palmer, and then Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Ephraim Smith, created an AB 540 Student Services Committee in response to concerns involving undocumented CSUF students. This committee was comprised of faculty, staff, administrators, and matriculated students who were familiar with the challenges facing undocumented and AB 540 students. The committee examined a host of critical issues including the admissions process, access to programs and services, retention and graduation to name a few, and developed a set of recommendations to improve the campus climate. Since then, the committee was renamed the AB 540 Task Force, and has continued to meet to evaluate campus policies and disseminate information to the campus community when working with and serving undocumented students.

Shortly after her arrival in July of 2012, Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Berenecea Johnson Eanes began meeting with student groups to facilitate a campus-wide discussion around the role of cultural centers in supporting student success. The development of a center for undocumented students was one of many needs articulated by students during these conversations. The resulting Dream Center is one of many on-going efforts in the reinvigoration of all the cultural centers on campus. A Vision Committee was created and began meeting in November 2013 to draft a vision, mission, and multi-year goals of what is now the Titan Dreamers Resource Center.

The Titan Dreamers Resource Center (TDRC)—located on the second floor of the north side of the library—will be a place of scholarship, support, and advocacy. On April 23, 2014, CSUF will make history among institutions of higher education as it takes a public stance in support of undocumented students, who will now have a safe and engaging place to call home.

UPCOMING PRESENTATION

Monday, May 5, 2014 • 1:00-2:30PM

Titan Dreamers Resource Center (PLN-203)

Hosted by Diversity Initiatives & Resource Centers

“Balancing Identities: Undocumented Immigrant Asian American Students and the Model Minority Myth”

Presented By

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The experiences of undocumented Asian American students often go unreported and are overshadowed by other populations of undocumented students. With over a million undocumented Asian American students, this interactive session focuses on presenting the narratives of several undocumented Asian American students. Explore and discuss how the Model Minority Myth weaves itself into their experiences and how student affairs professionals and administrators can support this unique population of students.

