



# College Advising Guide for Undocumented Students

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Approximately 1.6 million undocumented students under the age of 18 are currently living in the United States, 65,000 of whom will graduate each year from high school (Passal, 2003). Access to higher education is an issue that continues to plague students, parents, high school counselors and college admission officers. Unfortunately, confusion exists not only with regard to whether colleges may admit undocumented students but also what type of financial aid, if any, can be offered. As a result, high school counselors are often unsure how to best guide undocumented students because many are unaware of the options available. It is uncertain how many undocumented students attend college after high school. Of those who have lived in the U.S. for at least 5 years the figure is estimated to be 5 to 10 percent (National Immigration Law Center, 2009).

No federal or state law prohibits colleges and universities from offering admission to undocumented students. However, undocumented students are not eligible to receive federal or state aid. Undocumented students may be eligible to receive privately funded merit scholarships or grant aid. Illinois is one of 10 states with an in-state tuition bill Public Act 93-0007 also referred to as House Bill 60, which was signed into law in 2003. This bill permits undocumented students to pay in-state tuition rates at all public colleges and universities provided they meet the following requirements:

- (1) The individual resided with his or her parent or guardian while attending a public or private high school in Illinois.
- (2) The individual graduated from a public or private high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma in Illinois.
- (3) The individual attended school in Illinois for at least 3 years as of the date the individual graduated from high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma.
- (4) In the case of an individual who is not a citizen or a permanent resident of the United States, the individual provides the University with an affidavit stating that the individual will file an application to become a permanent resident of the United States at earliest opportunity the individual is eligible to do so (<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=093-0007>).

This *College Advising Guide for Undocumented Students* is designed to provide assistance to the high school counselors in Illinois who work with undocumented students. It is our hope that through outreach and greater access to accurate information, college will be possible for all who want to attend.

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## Questions to ask when...

### Researching colleges and developing a list

- ✓ Are there any state laws which bar undocumented students from public colleges or universities?
- ✓ Does the college or university admit undocumented students?
- ✓ Does the university require students to submit a social security number and proof of residency?
- ✓ Is there a point person in admissions that the student/counselor can contact with questions?
- ✓ Are other undocumented students enrolled in the college/university?
- ✓ Does the institution have a policy regarding whether or not it will report undocumented students?
- ✓ Will the institution consider undocumented students for institutional or private aid?
- ✓ Is an undocumented student eligible for merit aid?
- ✓ Does the institution offer any special scholarships for international students? Can undocumented students apply for these scholarships?

### Completing applications

- ✓ Does the application ask for a social security number?
- ✓ If a student does not have a social security number should they use zeros or leave it blank?
- ✓ Does the application have an appropriate "box" for an undocumented student on the section that asks about citizenship?
- ✓ If a student does not/can not answer all of the questions on the on-line application will it be submitted or do they need to complete a paper application?
- ✓ Can a student submit an on-line application if they are using a fee waiver?

### Applying for financial aid and scholarships

- ✓ Does the institution require all applicants, even those who are undocumented, to complete a FAFSA in order to be considered for private or institutional scholarships?
- ✓ Will the institution accept the College Board CSS Profile or an institutional form in place of the FAFSA?
- ✓ What other forms must be completed?

### Considering majors

- ✓ Does the major require a background check?
- ✓ Does the major lead to certification or state licensure for which an undocumented student would be ineligible?
- ✓ Are advisors and career development staff aware of these issues?

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**Aurora University**  
**Aurora, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes, we do.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

While an undocumented student cannot apply for financial aid, we do offer merit based scholarships at AU which every student that is admitted receives, whether they fill out the FAFSA or not. It is based on their ACT and GPA; scholarships are between \$2,000 and \$10,000.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

We do not have an institutional financial aid application; we use the FAFSA to calculate if students qualify for need based aid. However we do offer assistance in helping undocumented students in searching for scholarships that they qualify for.

5. **When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Yes, we do provide the non-citizen option on the application.

6. **How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

We give all of our students the option to put all zeros in place of their social security number.

7. **Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Our on-line application is completely free.

8. **In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

We do not have any policies regarding the reporting of students and we treat an undocumented student as we would any other student with the exception of filling out the FAFSA.

9. **Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Absolutely, our mission is to be an inclusive community, dedicated to the transformative power of learning. We uphold that mission by making an environment for our students where they can grow as people and realize their potential, no matter what their background.

**Bradley University**  
**Peoria, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Bradley does admit students that are undocumented.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Presidential Scholarship

\$34,000 over four years

Top scholars, including class valedictorians, receive this prestigious \$8,500 annual award. Presidential Scholars typically score at least 27 on the ACT (1220 SAT), rank in the top 10%\* of their class.

Deans Scholarship

\$24,000 over four years

Recipients of the Deans Scholarship are among Bradley's academic best. Typically, applicants scoring 25 or higher on the ACT (1140 SAT), rank in the top 10%\* of their class.

University Scholarship

\$16,000 over four years

A number of criteria are used in awarding these \$4,000 annual awards including academic achievement, leadership, and school and community service. University Scholars typically rank in the top 25%\* of their class and have ACT and SAT scores consistent with classroom performance.

Provost-Garrett Scholarship

Up to \$16,000 over four years

These scholars reflect the tremendous diversity of Bradley University. Students from under-represented backgrounds with demonstrated academic potential receive \$4,000 annually.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

We do not have any additional resources for undocumented students to file for grants or scholarships. We only accept the FAFSA and do not require the profile.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

We do ask the question and they can mark no I am not a citizen.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Leave it blank

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

All on-line applications are free of charge.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

We do not have policies to reports students that are undocumented.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Even with limited resources we do what we can to assist undocumented students. Every year we enroll anywhere from 2-6 students that we know are undocumented.



**Chicago State University  
Chicago, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Unfortunately, it is only for Latino students. It varies from year to year, every year the amount raised changes. It is merit based.

Applicants Must:

1. be admitted to and/or enrolled at Chicago State University; continuing/graduate CSU students must be enrolled for at least 6 credit hours.
2. be Latino or of Latino descent (Latino father and/or mother)\*
3. provide copy of transcripts from schools previously attended
4. freshmen must have at least an 18 in the ACT and have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale as of July 31, 2009
5. demonstrate involvement in extra curricular activities/community service

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

There is a separate application for the Latino Resource Center Scholarship.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Undocumented students completing a paper application should request consideration under Illinois Public Act 93-007. We are working on the on-line application.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Have them leave it blank, CSU will create a school ID. I will have to check the on-line application.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes, however we have a signature page which should be printed and mailed. It will help with the processing of the application if they can attach them together.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

As far as I know not yet. Let's hope not.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

I tend to believe so. Most of us have done everything possible to be as discrete as possible.

**College of DuPage  
Glen Ellyn, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

At this time we do not.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

They could apply for any merit or need based scholarship that doesn't require proof of US citizenship and/or residency. We do not have an institutional financial aid application.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Yes, other; on the on-line application, they must enter something in the citizenship question field.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Social Security number is optional; this is stated on the application. However, on our on-line application, there must be some number in that field. The student is instructed to contact the Admissions office and we assign them a number.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Students can submit an on-line application but unless the fee is paid they remain in “pending” status until the fee is paid. They then contact the Admissions office to request an application fee waiver. Proper documentation must be included for an application fee waiver to be considered.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

No, we do not report immigration status.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes.

**College of Lake County  
Grayslake, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Both available – requirements vary

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

CLC Scholarship application

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Yes, there is a choice. Cannot leave blank.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Use zeros or write in "none"

**7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

No app fee

**8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

Not sure about this one

**9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes

**DePaul University**  
**Chicago, IL**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

This would typically be our Multicultural Recruitment Coordinator, but we are currently in the process of filling this position. I can share this once we have the person in place.

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students are eligible for merit-based scholarships that are awarded at the time of admission and merit-based scholarships that are available through student's college/school within DePaul. Eligibility qualifications vary by scholarship and college.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

As a university serving a large population of first-generation, low income students, DePaul's limited financial aid budget is reserved for students who file the FAFSA and meet other eligibility requirements. DePaul does not use an institutional financial aid application. Undocumented students are welcome to meet with financial aid advisors to discuss alternate financing options such as the university payment plan, non-federal loan options, and possible scholarship opportunities. Maureen Talbot, Associate Director of Financial Aid, can serve as a contact at (312)362-8522. Students are also encouraged to utilize the university's Financial Fitness program (which is free to all enrolled DePaul students) to learn or strengthen money management skills and budget resources appropriately.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

The Citizenship question on the on-line application is mandatory – the choices are: U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident and Non-U.S. Citizen. If the answer is Non-U.S. Citizen then the applicant is required to choose a visa type (student, visitor, scholar, etc.). If they are undocumented there is an option in the drop-down list called Unknown Visa Status. If they check Unknown we would continue to process the application just like any other.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use all zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

We don't require a SSN on the application.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

The application can be submitted without paying an application fee and the student can then submit the fee waiver with their supplemental materials (i.e. transcripts, counselor recommendation).

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

We are not mandated to report on the status of our applicants or admitted students. It is solely the students' responsibility to maintain a lawful immigration status. We do not make admission decisions based on their immigration status; all decisions are based entirely on their academic performance.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

I would say that undocumented students are treated on an equal footing with all other students.



**Dominican University  
River Forest, IL**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students who are admitted to the University can qualify for our merit-based scholarships ranging from \$6,000 - \$15,000 annually. We also offer a limited number of University Grants, based on availability and the student's academic record, which supplement the merit-based scholarships and go up to full tuition. Candidates need to be at our top two scholarship levels: Presidential Scholarships – class rank in upper 10% and 28 or higher on ACT; Dean's Scholarships – class rank in upper 25% with 27 or higher ACT or class rank in upper 10% with 26 ACT. We typically award three full-tuition scholarships per year with this combination of merit-based scholarships and University Grants.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

We ask that the student submit a FAFSA worksheet directly to the University.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

They should leave the question blank.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

They should use zeros.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

There is no application fee for our on-line application form.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

No.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Our mission “To pursue truth, give compassionate service to others, and to participate in the creation of a more just and humane world”, certainly fosters an environment which is welcoming, supportive and caring of our entire Dominican community.

Eastern Illinois University  
Charleston, IL

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Yes.

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

We assist students to find scholarship money for which they are eligible. It is merit based. If there are private funds available we will award to qualified undocumented students.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship to your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Undocumented students would not apply for need-based aid, as we do not have an institutional financial aid application.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

On our application they should check “undocumented” both on the paper copy and on-line. There is no penalty for leaving it blank. The application is still processed.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

They should enter zeros.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Students submitting a fee waiver must submit a paper application. They can print our on-line application or obtain a paper copy from us or their guidance counselor.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

None of which I am aware.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Absolutely!

**Elmhurst College  
Elmhurst, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students are eligible for merit-based scholarships and talent based scholarships. Typical criteria are 3.5/4.0 GPA with a 25 ACT but these criteria are not absolute. Scholarship amounts range from \$5,000-\$19,000 per year. Endowed scholarship funds are also available if the student meets the criteria for the funds and the amounts vary greatly.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Applying for admission is our application for merit-based scholarships. There is no other form to complete.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Our application asks yes/no for citizenship and permanent residency. We also ask for country of residency if not a citizen. We also ask for “other, please provide explanation”. Some students disclose that they are undocumented in this field (it is a free form field), some do not and I am able to ascertain their status by what they do or do not answer. It is perfectly acceptable to me that they disclose themselves as “undocumented” as it allows me to seek out other sources of aid for them through my institution.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

We do not require a social security number to apply, so leaving it blank is acceptable.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

We do not have an application fee.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

We are currently investigating our obligations to the Internal Revenue Service in regards to reporting scholarship dollars given to undocumented students. Our financial comptroller is grappling with this issue and I currently do not have an update from him to share. Students that enter majors such as Education or Nursing may at some point have to self-disclose their status in order to facilitate student teaching or clinical experiences.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

As an institution affiliated with the United Church of Christ, we focus on issues of social justice at our college. I believe our environment is a welcoming one for all students, including undocumented students. I have witnessed administrators and faculty members “go to bat” for the needs of undocumented students over the years.

**Illinois College  
Jacksonville, IL**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Illinois College will admit undocumented students.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Illinois College will award undocumented students merit based scholarships that range from \$5,000 – full tuition. Merit awards are based on a combination of a number of items (class rank, GPA, test scores, leadership qualities, and involvement in activities).

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

At the present time, we do not offer any need based assistance to undocumented students.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Students should answer “non-citizen”.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Students can leave SSN blank.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Illinois College does not charge an application fee.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes.



**Illinois Institute of Technology  
Chicago, IL**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

IIT works with undocumented students in the admission process to support these students to our best ability.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

IIT codes undocumented students similar to our U.S. students; therefore, undocumented students are eligible for the same merit-based scholarships. This includes our Heald Scholarship (up to \$10,000), IIT University Scholarship (up to \$10,000), and Camras Scholarship (full-tuition). Unfortunately, only students who complete the FAFSA are eligible for need-based aid so undocumented students do not qualify for this aid. Additionally, IIT will review the merit-based scholarship package for undocumented students to determine if we have provided the best scholarship package available.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

All students are automatically reviewed for merit-based scholarships – students do not need to submit additional forms or applications.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

IIT prefers that undocumented students leave the citizenship question blank on the application. If they have questions they may contact Carolyn directly and she will assist them in the application process.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Students can leave this field blank on the application.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

IIT encourages all students to complete the on-line application; we are members of Common Application and Universal Application. There are no application fees for submitting the application on-line.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

No.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

IIT’s mission is: To advance knowledge through research and scholarship, to cultivate invention improving the human condition, and to educate students from throughout the world for a life of professional achievement, service to society, and individual fulfillment.

IIT provides students with a global educational experience in which students from many different backgrounds work together on advancements for our future.

**Illinois State University  
Normal, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Undocumented students can apply for admission under Public Act 93-0007.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Any student who meets the minimum credentials for our Presidential Scholarship \$8,000 (28 ACT, 3.85 GPA), University Scholarship \$5,000 (22 ACT, 3.0 GPA) or community college transfer scholarship \$1,500 (3.5 and associates degree) will be invited to compete. We do not offer any automatic merit based scholarships, they all require a competition.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

We do not make undocumented students complete CSS Profile or any other financial aid form. We encourage them to search for scholarships, and we give them alternative loan options.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Our citizenship question on the application includes an option which states “I am requesting admission under Public Act 93-0007 as an “undocumented” student who lives in Illinois with no documentation stating US citizenship or legal residency”.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

As of November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 students should be able to apply on-line and not need to enter a SSN. This is a priority for our on-line application. Until this change is made undocumented students are asked to download a paper application and send it in.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes, it can be submitted. Then, the counselor needs to send the verification page in which indicates the student is eligible for free or reduced lunch or is economically disadvantaged. The application will not be processed until the fee waiver is received.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

We do not report to the DHS. However, because of the residency laws in Illinois, the State requires us to report proof of why we are awarding in-state tuition to certain students. Here is the link to the text of 110 ILCS 305/7e-5 In State Tuition Charge.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes. The term undocumented is never used after the application process. All students are treated equally when referring to the many areas of campus. Although we do have restrictions when referring to types of financial aid due to the laws of the institution and State of Illinois, we will go the extra mile to help any student find alternative options to assist them in achieving a college education at ISU.

**Illinois Wesleyan University  
Bloomington, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Student applicants are assigned by territory. Since an undocumented student can come from anywhere, any of our eleven recruiting counselors may work with undocumented students. While undocumented students can be of any nationality, we do have a Spanish-speaking counselor who works with our Latino families where language may be a barrier. I would not say that Nancy Vasquez is an "expert" in working with undocumented students, but she could be someone to serve as a resource for certain families.

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

We have both. Merit awards are awarded based on a combination of academic criteria provided as part of the admission process. The range is currently \$5,000 to \$15,000 per year. Talent awards are based on audition or a portfolio review. They range from \$7,000 to \$12,000, with a very small number of full-tuition awards in music (primarily for string instruments).

We can also provide institutional need-based grants for undocumented students.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

For an undocumented student, we would require the CSS PROFILE.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

We have a spot for them to mark "non-citizen." It could also be left blank.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

We currently have U.S. citizens who don't want to provide a SSN, so it is possible to apply that way. I don't believe it is a required field anymore, but it could also be filled in with zeros if it is required.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

We do not charge an application fee.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

None that is institutional. When we report our data to a variety of other entities, we are required to break-down students as either domestic or non-citizen, but those are done as categories and aren't tied to a particular student's name.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Most certainly. The greatest challenge by far is helping them fund their education. But the undocumented students we have worked with in the past seem to be very drawn to our close knit community atmosphere.

**Knox College  
Galesburg, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Knox considers undocumented students for all merit-based scholarships (academic, arts, writing, and community service) just as we would consider any other applicant. Descriptions and application procedures are available at [www.knox.edu/scholarships](http://www.knox.edu/scholarships). Undocumented students are considered for need-based awards, with the maximum standard award being about half of our comprehensive fee. A very limited number of larger awards (i.e. in excess of half) are available on a highly competitive basis.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Undocumented students should complete a paper version of the FAFSA and mail it directly to the Office of Admission.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Knox uses the Common Application exclusively. Students should select “Other” and indicate the country(ies) of citizenship or indicate “Stateless”. Under visa type, select “I do not hold a non-immigrant Visa.”

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Leave it blank (which is allowed).

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

No

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes, absolutely. The college was founded on principles of access and opportunity for students of all qualified means. The rich cultural diversity of our community and appreciation for individual differences makes it a welcoming environment.



**Lake Forest College  
Lake Forest, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes, we do.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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Susan Langner – Associate Director of Admissions, 847-735-5012, [langner@lakeforest.edu](mailto:langner@lakeforest.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Yes. Lake Forest College is offering a Guaranteed \$12,000 In-State Scholarship to all Illinois students admitted to the College. Undocumented students will receive this award. In addition, all students can submit a Forester Scholarship (academic or talent-based awards of up to \$8,000 per year) in recognition of the arts, sciences, or one of 11 other disciplines. Information can be accessed on-line at: [www.lakeforest.edu/scholarships](http://www.lakeforest.edu/scholarships).

Need-based financial aid for an undocumented student includes a total in grant/scholarship of up to \$24,000.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Students may submit the Lake Forest FASTAPP or the Lake Forest International Student Application for Financial Aid (ISAF), either of which serves to determine institutional aid.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

We offer “other” as a choice.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

The SS number can be left blank as it is not a required field.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

We offer a free on-line application at [www.lakeforestedge.org](http://www.lakeforestedge.org). Otherwise, the student can submit the Common Application without a fee as well and submit a fee-waiver.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

None of which I am aware.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

I am not naïve that undocumented students face challenges that are unique to their circumstances, such as obtaining internship credit for academic work off-campus. Regardless, we are a welcoming and exceptionally diverse college community that has successfully served undocumented students. We can strive to improve but I feel all underrepresented students are well-embraced at Lake Forest College!

**Lewis University**  
**Romeoville, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Although scholarships based on academics, talent, or athletics are possible, there is not an opportunity to provide students with comprehensive funding for tuition and room and board. Like other institutions, Lewis would not be able to enhance these funds with state or federal dollars. For more details about scholarships offered at Lewis, visit [www.lewisu.edu/scholarship](http://www.lewisu.edu/scholarship), which includes an on-line scholarship calculator.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

The only institutional funds available for undocumented students are from the academic scholarships offered. The application and the other documents required for admission are the only items needed to complete the process to determine eligibility.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Currently the only choices regarding citizenship on our application is YES, NO, or RESIDENT ALIEN. Undocumented students should apply using our printed application, not on-line. They will be asked to furnish a valid social security number on-line. To access our printed application, visit [www.lewisu.edu/apply](http://www.lewisu.edu/apply).

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

It is best to use zeros on our printed undergraduate application only. The on-line version will not accept blank or zeros. This will allow for a quicker process.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Undocumented students should not file the Lewis University application on-line. A note from the counselor addressing the undocumented status will suffice for an application fee waiver. Hopefully, the official fee waivers could be used for other needy students.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

The only offices that officially report a student’s citizenship status is the Office of Financial Aid Services and the Office of International Student Services.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes. Lewis University’s mission is based on the De La Salle Christian Brothers. The Mission of Lewis University can be found at: <http://www.lewisu.edu/welcome/mission.htm>.

**Lincoln Christian University  
Lincoln, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

LCU does offer academic and multicultural scholarships for which an undocumented student would be considered. These start at \$2000 per year. There are also some smaller scholarships that may be available. It is unlikely that an undocumented student would be awarded need-based aid.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

N/A

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

When they are published, our new applications will include an "Other" option.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

The SSN is optional on our application for admission.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

We are not sure how this will work with our new on-line application.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

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**Loyola University  
Chicago, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Loyola does work with all students who have an interest in the university. Yes, undocumented students can be admitted to Loyola.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

There is no specific counselor who works with undocumented students. We work with students individually based on high school attended.

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

All students who are admitted to Loyola are considered for merit scholarships based on set academic criteria.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Loyola does not use the CSS Profile or an institutional form. Students can only apply for need-based aid by completing the FAFSA.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Students are given the choice on the application about citizenship. They can indicate one of three things: US citizen, US Permanent Resident or Other.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

SS# is not required for the on-line application.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

There is no application fee charged for the on-line application.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

(left blank)

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes, Loyola is a welcoming community comprised of students with many different backgrounds. We aim to work with students as individuals and assist them over the course of their four years at Loyola as they prepare to lead an extraordinary life.



**Northeastern Illinois University  
Chicago, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

No specific person, we can all work with undocumented students. 773-442-4050

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

We do not.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

We do not have any for undocumented students. We only have aid for residents or citizens.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Yes, there is a space. There is not a blank field on-line.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

It is not required but only necessary for those requested federal assistance. They can leave it blank on-line if they choose not to use their SSN.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

They cannot. Fee waivers can only be submitted on paper due to required counselor signatures.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

There are none.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

We do. We are a Hispanic Serving Institution and community and diversity are just two of our values. We also have a campus on the Westside which is mostly Latino students.

**Northern Illinois University  
DeKalb, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Robert Burk--Director and Wendy Raver Associate Director 815-753-0446 can be reached through NIU admissions office email. [admissions@niu.edu](mailto:admissions@niu.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Any NIU scholarship that does not require FAFSA is open for undocumented students

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Scholarship application only

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Students should answer all applicable questions on the app that refer to undocumented students.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Leave it blank.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

Not that I am aware. We do not identify these students in our student database.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes

**North Central College  
Naperville, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Martha Stolze  
Director of Admission  
630-637-5800  
[mastolze@noctrl.edu](mailto:mastolze@noctrl.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Yes, undocumented students are awarded merit scholarships based on their academic indicators. We also award need-based aid at levels comparable to those offered to international students.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

We ask them to complete a brief institutional profile and to submit any income documents (W-2's, 1040's) they may have.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Students should leave the question blank.

6. **How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Our on-line application will not accept a blank SS#. We prefer that undocumented students complete a paper application.

7. **Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

There is no application fee for either the on-line application or paper application.

8. **In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No

9. **Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes! We have a number of currently enrolled undocumented students who are doing very well.

**Oakton Community College  
Des Plaines, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

YES!

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Until we hire someone, they can contact me: Michele Brown, Director of Admission at [mbrown@oakton.edu](mailto:mbrown@oakton.edu) or 845-635-1981.

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Oakton has a few merit based scholarships that undocumented students can apply for. Oakton also has a need based test book voucher program that undocumented students can apply for.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Complete the Scholarship Application or the Textbook Voucher application. CSS Profile is not required.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Students need SS # to complete the on-line application. Students without SS # need to apply in person with a paper application and would check the residency box marked "undocumented".

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

They should leave the SS# line in the paper application blank. They cannot apply on-line.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

They cannot apply on-line. When applying in person, they do not have to pay the \$25 application fee at the time of submitting the application. It will be added to their tuition bill and they can pay it with their tuition.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes!



**Roosevelt University  
Chicago, Illinois  
Schaumburg, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Mike Dessimoz  
Associate Vice President for Enrollment Services  
312/341-2121  
[mdessimoz@roosevelt.edu](mailto:mdessimoz@roosevelt.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Merit-based, as available to all other incoming freshmen and transfer students – based on academic indices: curriculum, cumulative GPA and composite test results.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

For what we offer (see #3), no FAFSA is required from an undocumented student – consideration is automatic based on credentials.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Either “other” or blank is fine.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Leaving it blank is fine.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes, but I am checking on a possible change.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

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**Southern Illinois University  
Carbondale, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes (assumption is that anyone requesting consideration under Illinois Public Law 93-007 is probably undocumented)

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Bob Quane, [quane@siu.edu](mailto:quane@siu.edu) and Rey Diaz, [rdiaz@siu.edu](mailto:rdiaz@siu.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

We provide merit scholarships.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Just FAFSA so students will not be eligible since they will not have a social security number.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

We have a check-off box, "requesting consideration under Public Law 93-007." I think we should probably explain what this law means on the application. This should be checked.

**6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank?**

In the social security section of the application it states that the student does not have to supply a social security number for admission. Leave it blank.

**7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

By Oct 1 (I hope), students eligible for a fee waiver will be able to submit the on line application.

**8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

Reporting: We have not been asked to report the number or names of students who indicated that they want admission consideration under Public Law 93-007.

**9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

The student should not worry about their experience at Southern due to their status as an undocumented student. No one would know and it doesn't matter.

**Southern Illinois University  
Edwardsville, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

SIUE does admit undocumented students.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

The contact information is:

Todd Burrell  
Director of Admissions  
[tburrel@siue.edu](mailto:tburrel@siue.edu)  
1-800-447-SIUE

Terri Montgomery  
Associate Dir. of Adm.  
[tmontgo@siue.edu](mailto:tmontgo@siue.edu)  
1-800-447-SIUE

Shauna Lehman  
Asst. Dir. of Adm.  
[slehman@siue.edu](mailto:slehman@siue.edu)  
1-800-447-SIUE

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students can apply for our top merit based scholarship, the Meridian Scholarship. These full tuition/fees, room and board scholarship requires a student to have a minimum of a 27 ACT (equivalent on SAT). Also, an undocumented student can be considered for any private and departmental scholarships.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Unfortunately, any need based financial aid requires a FAFSA to be filed. SIUE does not have or work with any other alternative financial aid form.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

For the application for admission, undocumented students check the box that states they are requesting consideration under Public Act 93-7 (undocumented students).

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

When completing the social security number, the undocumented student should just leave this blank.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Any student can complete the on-line application ([www.siu.edu/apply](http://www.siu.edu/apply)) and submit the application fee waiver (<http://www.siu.edu/apply/pdf/AppFeeWaiverForm.pdf>). This application fee waiver must be mailed in to the Office of Admissions.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

SIUE does not report the number of undocumented students.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

SIUE’s mission and vision truly welcomes and supports all students, including undocumented students.

**University of Illinois  
Urbana-Champaign, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

YES

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Gregg Perry, Associate Director of Undergraduate Admissions. [217-333-0302](tel:217-333-0302), [gperry@illinois.edu](mailto:gperry@illinois.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

No, we do not have need-based aid available for undocumented students. There are some merit-based scholarships.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

NA. See answer to number 3.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

There is a category "Non-citizen-Other."

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Leave blank.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes, they can submit on-line, but the fee waiver form needs to be submitted by mail.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes.



**University of St. Francis  
Joliet, Illinois**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Eric Ruiz, Undergraduate Admission Counselor, 815-740-5070, [eruiz@stfrancis.edu](mailto:eruiz@stfrancis.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

We have both need-based and merit based scholarships. The merit based scholarships go with meeting our minimum requirements of a 2.5/4.0 GPA and a 20 on the ACT. They can receive anywhere between \$6,000 - full tuition in scholarships that are merit based.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

If we are knowledgeable that they cannot complete the FAFSA we do not make them apply for need-based financial assistance. We take it by a case by case basis and try to help out the student to the best that we can, of course it is also based on their merits and how interested they are in USF.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

There isn't a question about citizenship; just a question on country the student was born.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

When it asked for social security number they just need to put in "000-00-0000." and it will continue on.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Fee is waived if they apply on-line.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

There are no-such requirements, we help every student to the best of our ability.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus**

Of course.

**Western Illinois University  
Macomb, IL**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

As a state Institution, Western Illinois University does accept undocumented students as required by Illinois state law.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Eric Campbell, Director of Admissions. 309-298-1965  
[e-campbell@wiu.edu](mailto:e-campbell@wiu.edu)

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

WIU does not have any specific scholarships for undocumented students, however undocumented students may apply for **Merit** based scholarships that are available through the WIU scholarship foundation or departmental scholarships that do not require need based information.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Available Scholarships for freshmen and transfer students that are awarded by the WIU Foundation are based on academic merit, community and volunteer activities, extra curricular activities and where applicable, financial need. For more information see [www.wiu.edu /scholarships](http://www.wiu.edu/scholarships).

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

On the WIU application, there is a box for non-citizen. They should also check the box asking for consideration under Illinois Public ACT 93-7 until our application is changed next year to reflect the new Illinois Law for undocumented students.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Students will need to complete the WIU paper application for admission only. They will not be able to leave the spaces blank or use zeros for the on-line application until further notice. If they use the paper application they may leave the information blank and check the box for public ACT 93-7.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Students must complete the WIU paper application when submitting a fee waiver.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

We do not have a policy that requires the university to report the status of undocumented students to DHS.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Western Illinois University would embrace all students, regardless of status. We have just opened our new multicultural center to help students maintain their cultural identity.

**Cornell College  
Mount Vernon, IA**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students are considered international students for admission and scholarship consideration. They are eligible for the same scholarships and grants as international students (\$5,000 to full tuition.) These scholarships never cover the cost of room, board, books, transportation, personal expenses, etc.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Undocumented students are asked to complete the International Students Application for Financial Aid through College Board.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Undocumented students can list “non-citizen.”

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

The SSN field may be left blank.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Undocumented students are encouraged to complete the Common Application. The application fee is automatically waived for students applying before December 1. Fee waivers are also considered.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

None that I am aware of.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes.

**Marquette University  
Milwaukee, WI**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

YES

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Robert Blust, Dean of Admissions, 414-288-7302

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students may compete for and be awarded merit-based scholarship along with all other applicants.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

They can review all merit-based scholarship opportunities on our web site and then apply for whichever ones they wish. We do not offer institutional need-based financial aid. Undocumented students will be considered for merit-based scholarship only.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

They should choose the "other" option. They cannot just leave this question blank.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

They should use zeros.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Our on-line applications are all free to every applicant.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Absolutely! Marquette established the nation's first Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) in 1968, a program now emulated across the country. EOP motivates and enables low-income and first generation students, whose parents do not have a baccalaureate degree, to enter and succeed in higher education.



Northern Michigan University  
Marquette, MI

1. **A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes

2. **Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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3. **Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

No

4. **How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

N/A

5. **When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Student should answer "no" to U.S. Citizen and "no" to U.S. Permanent Resident, and provide information in the comments section

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

We process applications without a social security number; it is an optional field. The on-line application permits completion and submission without that information.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No. We may ask the counselor about status if the student leaves the citizenship-related questions blank if we are not able to reach the student, as we are required by institutional policy to do due diligence in recording that information and knowing status information helps us best serve the student.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes - unless the definition of a welcome environment includes providing financial aid.

**Saint Louis University  
St. Louis, Missouri**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes. We do not allow a student's immigration status to play a role in admission.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

Saint Louis University's Office of International Services (314-977-2318; [icadmit@slu.edu](mailto:icadmit@slu.edu)) offers immigration counseling to help students if they wish to change immigration status. Our admission counselors can assist these students with independent scholarship searches.

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Yes. Undocumented students are eligible for institutional merit-based scholarships at Saint Louis University. These merit-based scholarships range from \$3,000 to \$15,000 per academic year and are awarded primarily based on academic performance. Undocumented students also qualify for our Presidential and Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarships. These awards require an additional application. The Presidential Scholarship is a competitive, full-tuition scholarship awarded to students with impeccable academic performance and extensive leadership experience. The MLK Jr. Scholarship is awarded based on service and social justice leadership.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

Saint Louis University does not offer institutional need-based financial aid.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Saint Louis University's application required a student to answer "Are you a citizen of the United States? (yes/no). If the student selects "no", they are then asked "What will your visa type or immigration status be while studying at Saint Louis University" (most undocumented students select "Non-resident Alien"). Students are required to answer both of these questions.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

For the social security number, students may either enter zeros or leave the field blank if they have selected "non-citizen". Most fields are required on our application.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Our on-line application is free.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

No

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes. Saint Louis University is a very diverse campus that welcomes students from various ethnic and experiential backgrounds.

**Seton Hall University  
South Orange, New Jersey**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes, we admit students who are qualified to attend Seton Hall regardless if they are undocumented.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

We don't have anyone in the admissions office that is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students. I am the counselor who works with international students and have spoken with our Office of International Programs is more knowledgeable about the subject. My information if students have questions is Whitney Vitale, Associate Director of Admissions, [whitney.vitale@shu.edu](mailto:whitney.vitale@shu.edu).

- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students are eligible for merit/talent based scholarships. These are based on GPA and SAT/ACT scores starting around a 3.0 GPA and a 1650 SAT/23 ACT – the range is \$8,000 per year and up.

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

We do not have an institutional financial aid application and undocumented students cannot apply for financial assistance or need-based scholarships.

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as “non-citizen” or “other” and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

The students will click on the box which says “I am not a US citizen or permanent resident” and then under visa, they will check “other”. It is not permitted to be blank so this choice must be selected.

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

They can leave the SSN field blank just as an international student would do – it is permitted on our on-line application.

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

It is free to apply to Seton Hall on-line until December 15<sup>th</sup> but they cannot use a fee waiver on-line after December 15<sup>th</sup>, they must fill out the paper application.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student’s immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student’s status?**

No, we do not need to report a student’s status.

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes, these students would be welcomed at Seton Hall University and would feel comfortable on our campus.

**University of Wisconsin-Parkside  
Parkside, Wisconsin**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes, we do.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

Undocumented students have the same chance for all of our academic scholarships as any documented students do. They need to fill out a scholarship application by Feb 1st to be eligible. Our university also offers remissions (normally the difference between in and out of state tuition) to undocumented students who have a strong academic background (good grades, ACT/SAT, etc).

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

They would fill out the on-line scholarship application @ [www.uwp.edu](http://www.uwp.edu) keyword: scholarships or simply let our admissions office know they are interested in a remission once they apply!

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

No

- 6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Leave it blank!

- 7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

Yes and they can submit the fee waiver or fee separately with or without their high school transcripts and ACT/SAT scores.

- 8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No

- 9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes. We are small and personal and we are located in an area which has many undocumented students so it's something our campus and community is familiar with!



**Wartburg College  
Waverly, Iowa**

- 1. A study recently compiled by AACRAO revealed that over half of the colleges and universities knowingly admit undocumented students. Does your college admit undocumented students?**

Yes.

- 2. Is there a contact person in the Office of Admissions who is knowledgeable of the issues faced by undocumented students and can serve as a resource person for students, parents and counselors? If yes, please share the individual's name, title, phone number and email address. Please do not just share the name of your staff member who works with international students. The needs of undocumented students are very different.**

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- 3. Do you have institutional aid or merit/talent based scholarships for which an undocumented student would be eligible? If yes, please specify whether it is need based aid or merit based aid. If merit scholarships are available please list the qualifications required and amounts awarded. We hope you will keep in mind that any scholarship dollars earmarked for international students could also be awarded to an undocumented student and of course, private dollars can be awarded in any way your institution sees fit.**

We have both merit and need based aid available. Please see the following URL:

<http://www.wartburg.edu/finaid/scholarships.html>

- 4. How would an undocumented student apply for financial assistance or a need-based scholarship at your institution? Knowing that they cannot submit a FAFSA are they required to complete a CSS Profile or do you have an institutional financial aid application?**

CSS Profile

- 5. When completing the question on the application regarding citizenship is there a choice that would be applicable for them such as "non-citizen" or "other" and if not, should they leave the question blank? Is a blank field permitted when completing an on-line application?**

Yes.

**6. How should an undocumented student answer the question regarding social security number? Should they use zeros or leave it blank? Again, is a blank field permitted when submitting an on-line application?**

Yes.

**7. Can students submit an on-line application if they are paying the application fee with a fee-waiver?**

We have no application fee.

**8. In May and July 2008 the Department of Homeland Security stated there is no federal requirement that colleges and universities inquire about a student's immigration status nor is there a requirement that they report those who are undocumented to DHS. Are there any institutional policies which exist at your college that requires administrators to report a student's status?**

No.

**9. Do you believe that the mission of your institution creates an environment where an undocumented student would be embraced and feel welcome on your campus?**

Yes.

## **Career Planning for Undocumented Students: Implications for School Counselors**

As the student's interests and skills are evidenced, the counselor should be aware of career implications. Undocumented students can pursue higher education, but need to understand that certain avenues might be closed to them afterward, including any field that requires clinical observation hours, a background check, certification or state licensure, or a social security number. This relates to many of the helping fields like education, social work, law enforcement, health professions, and more.

A short list of potentially undocumented-friendly careers\*

Business Ownership

Hotel Management

Restaurants

Video Gaming

Journalism/Communications

Radio & TV Broadcasting

Business Office Manager

Computers

Administrative Positions

Manual Labor

Cash-based Businesses

Trade fields: Painters, caterers, carpenters, repairers (shoe, clock, television and radio, machines, etc.)

\*Some of these fields might prefer citizenship, but not all will require it.

## Internet Resources

College Board - Advising Undocumented Students

<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/guidance/financial-aid/undocumented-students>

College Board – Young Lives on Hold: The College Dreams of Undocumented Students

<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/profdownload/young-lives-on-hold-college-board.pdf>

College is Possible: A Guide for Undocumented Students

<http://www.postsecondary.cps.k12.il.us/pdf/UndocumentedEnglish.pdf>

Dream Act Basic Information <http://www.nilc.org/immlawpolicy/DREAM/dream-basicinfo-2009-03-30.pdf>

Dream Act Summary <http://www.nilc.org/immlawpolicy/DREAM/dream-bills-summary-2009-03-31.pdf>

FinAid! <http://www.finaid.org/otheraid/undocumented.phtml>

Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee rights <http://icirr.org/>

National Association for College Admissions Counseling <http://nacacnet.org>

NACAC Legislative Action Center <http://capwiz.com/nacac/home/>

National Immigration Law Center <http://www.nilc.org/index.htm>