

Indiana University - Bloomington

Graduate & Professional Student Government

Resolution to Protect Community Members

Whereas, the Indiana University Principles of Ethical Conduct explicitly prioritize avoiding “all forms of harassment, discrimination, threats, or violence” and acting “according to the highest ethical and professional standards of conduct” above legal compliance [IU Principles of Ethical Conduct, 12/05/2013];

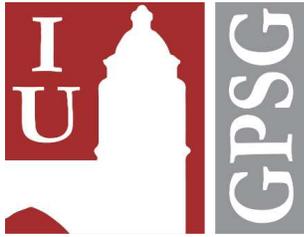
Whereas, the Office of the Provost & Executive Vice President of Indiana University is committed to the vision of *One IU*, whereby “we believe in every person’s intrinsic dignity and worth” [A Message from Provost Lauren Robel to the IU Bloomington community, 10/2017];

Whereas, the Indiana University Bloomington Faculty has committed itself “to defending all members of our community from hate, aggression, and intimidation” and to Indiana University Bloomington “as a place of safety, diversity, tolerance, and respect” [Bloomington Faculty Council Resolution on Campus Climate, Civility, and Inclusion, 1/17/2017];

Whereas, the spirit of the new federal administration’s recent Executive Orders present imminent risk to immigrants *regardless of documentation status*, as shown by the quick increase in individuals negatively impacted by changes to citizenship and immigration policies under the Trump administration, implying that undocumented students *as well as* international students, dual-citizens, and members of highly-targeted non-dominant cultural groups may be at risk;

Whereas, Indiana University Bloomington is home to more than two dozen students who are protected by the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Program (DACA), an immigration policy under imminent threat of cessation by the Trump Administration;

Whereas, the threat of detainment and deportation of community members on the basis of citizenship status, undocumented or otherwise, halts the process of higher education and fulfillment of degree attainment and progress towards tenure; further, the fulfillment of this threat separates individuals from their families and likely forces them into inhospitable and potentially violent environments;



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Therefore, be it resolved by the Graduate and Professional Student Government Assembly that --

- (1) Indiana University Bloomington should declare itself a Sanctuary Campus by April 31, 2017 at the latest; and
- (2) This status should be reinforced by drafting and implementing a statement of explicit non-compliance with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) written in conjunction with student groups working on this issue, which must include UndocuHoosiers Bloomington, regardless of the circumstances or demands (whether they pertain to the disclosure of student citizenship records or to attempts by ICE to conduct business on the Bloomington campus).

Respectfully submitted to and passed by the Graduate and Professional Student Government Assembly on this 7th day of April 2017.

GPSG President

4/7/2017

Date