



What You Need To Know ...Deferred Action for DREAMers

Don't Apply Yet!
DHS will not accept applications yet!

You May Apply Now Only if You are in Removal Proceedings or Have a Final Removal

<p>What is Deferred Action?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deferred action is a discretionary determination to defer removal action of an individual. Deferred action does <u>not</u> confer lawful status upon an individual. A person granted deferred action will not be considered to be accruing unlawful presence in the United States during the period deferred action is in effect Deferred action can be terminated at any time at the agency's discretion or renewed by the agency. 	<p>Who qualifies for Deferred Action for DREAMers?</p> <p><i>There are 6 requirements:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arrived in the United States under the age of sixteen; 2. Continuously resided in the United States for at least five years preceding June 15, 2012 and are present in the United States on June 15, 2012; 3. Currently enrolled in school, graduated from high school, obtained a general education development certificate (GED) or are honorably discharged veterans of the U.S. Coast Guard or Armed Forces; 4. Have not been convicted of a felony offense, a significant misdemeanor offense, multiple misdemeanor offenses, or otherwise pose a threat to national security or public safety; 5. Are at least 15 years old (only if you are NOT in removal proceedings); and 6. Are not above the age of thirty. 	<p>What Does Deferred Action Give Me?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment authorization (must show "an economic necessity for employment.") Deferral of removal for two years. <p>With valid employment authorization, you can obtain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment Social security number Driver's license Auto insurance
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DREAMers in Removal Proceedings, Detained or About to Be Deported May Obtain Immediate Protection!

<p style="text-align: center;">Other Important Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don't be a victim of fraud: <u>only</u> consult with a licensed attorney or an organization recognized by the Board of Immigration Appeals (www.usdoj.gov/eoir) If you have a final order of removal, but meet all of the requirements, you may still be eligible. Family members of DREAMers are not eligible for this protection unless they independently qualify. If you are in removal proceedings, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will soon announce its implementation procedures. ATTENTION: If you have any arrests or prior immigration history, consult with an immigration attorney <u>before</u> applying for any benefit with immigration authorities. 	<p>Get Ready ... Start Collecting Documents!</p> <p><i>Identity</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Birth certificate o Passport <p><i>School/Military History</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o School and military records o GED certificate o High school diploma <p><i>Good Moral Character</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Police clearance letter o Certified dispositions for any arrest/conviction o Community support letters <p><i>Physical Presence</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o School records o Taxes o Medical records
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