

Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

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The College of Law's Golten Fellow, Jamie Crawford, recommends that anyone currently under DACA should consider applying to renew DACA immediately, especially if you have one year or less remaining before expiration.

The Supreme Court will likely issue a decision on the DACA case (Department of Homeland Security v. Regents of the University of California) soon. According to national advocacy organizations in Washington D.C., it is possible that the decision could come as early as a week from now. In any event, a final decision is expected no later than June 2020. While it is impossible to know at this time what the Supreme Court will decide, many advocacy groups believe the most likely result is that the Supreme Court will end the DACA program, but that USCIS will still process renewal applications received on or before the date of the Supreme Court's decision. We hope that current DACA holders will continue to be able to work and to be protected from deportation, even after the Supreme Court decision. But we expect those protections will only last until the current DACA grant expires. Note that renewals are granted for 2 years from the time of the renewal application, not from the current expiration date.

If you need assistance applying to renew your DACA, please contact Golten Fellow Jamie Crawford via email at <u>jcrawf17@uwyo.edu</u>. She especially urges those with recent arrests or criminal charges to reach out for assistance.

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