

Student Legal Services (SLS) Overview



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What is SLS?



The Student Legal Services (SLS) department at **CHIRLA** is one of **9 legal providers in California** that offer free immigration services to California community colleges and CSUs (California State University).

The program was **launched in 2019 by the California Department of Social Services** to cater to the immigration legal needs of students, staff, and faculty.

We provide **free legal consultations, presentations, tabling, outreach, and fee assistance** for a limited number of services.

Each school has a designated **legal provider who works closely with the Dream Center/Counselor** to ensure that services are being utilized.

The **SLS team** consists of DOJ accredited representatives, paralegals, legal assistants, and Campus fellows, with staff in both NorCal and SoCal.



Who qualifies for SLS services?



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California Community Colleges



Students

- Part-time
- Full-time
- Any form of active enrollment qualifies

Staff

- Administrative
- Financial Aid
- Janitorial
- Any employee of the school

Faculty

- Tenured
- Adjunct
- Like with students, anyone in a teaching position qualifies.



Our partner CCs:



Cerritos College



El Camino College



Coastline College



Saddleback College



LA Valley College



LA Southwest College



LA Harbor College



LA Mission College



Long Beach College



Compton College



Orange Coast College



Woodland College



Sacramento City College



Cypress College



Santa Ana College



American River College



Cosumnes River College



Folsom Lake College



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Northern California – Community Colleges



1. American River College – 4700 College Oak Dr, Sacramento, CA 95841
2. Cosumnes River College – 8401 Center Parkway, Sacramento, CA 95823
3. Folsom Lake College – 10 College Parkway, Folsom, CA 95630
4. Sacramento City College – 3835 Freeport Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95822
5. Woodland Community College – 2001 East St, Woodland, CA 95776



Southern California – Community Colleges



Cerritos College

Compton College

Southwest College

Long Beach College

L.A. Harbor College

El Camino College

L.A. Mission College

L.A. Valley College

Santa Ana College

Orange Coast College

Coastline College

Cypress College

Saddleback College



COASTLINE
COLLEGE



LAVC
LOS ANGELES
VALLEY COLLEGE



California State Universities



Students

- Part-time
- Full-time
- Any form of active enrollment qualifies
- **Alumni that have graduated in the past 2 years**

Staff

- Administrative
- Financial Aid
- Janitorial
- Any employee of the school

Faculty

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Family members

- Spouses
- Parents
- Children
- Siblings

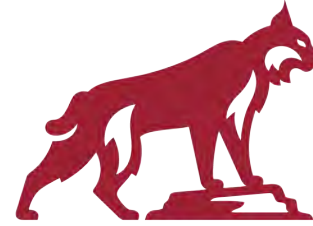


Our partner CSUs:



SACRAMENTO
STATE

Sacramento
State University



California State
University **Chico**

Chico State
University



Sonoma State
University



Cal Poly
Humboldt



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Who cannot access SLS services?



UC students/staff/faculty

High school students/staff/faculty

Students/staff/faculty of private universities

Students/staff/faculty of public universities outside of California

**These are not disqualifiers! A high school teacher who is a student at a CA community college qualifies for SLS services*



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How to Sign Up for Legal Services



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How to Sign Up



Community Colleges

- Sign up on the Find Your Ally website - findyourally.com

California State University

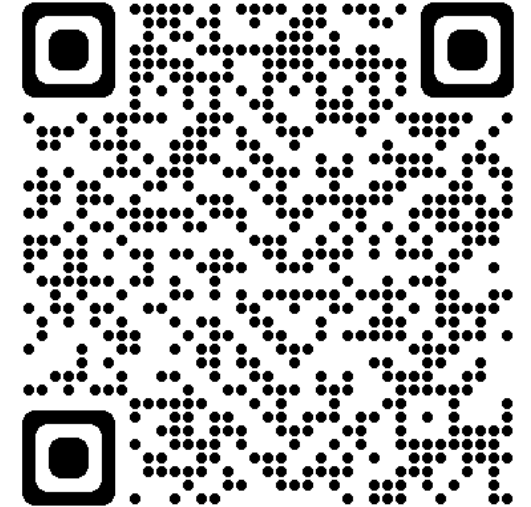
- CHIRLA Website - legal.chirla.org

Virtual DACA Clinics

- CHIRLA's Instagram page, link opens M-F at 9am, first come, first served.

Presentations, Workshops, Clinics

- Posted on Campus' Dream/Undocu-Centers websites




Scan the QR code!




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Education and Outreach



In addition to legal services, we ***regularly visit campuses*** to provide ***in-person*** legal ***consultations*** and ***build our presence*** on campus



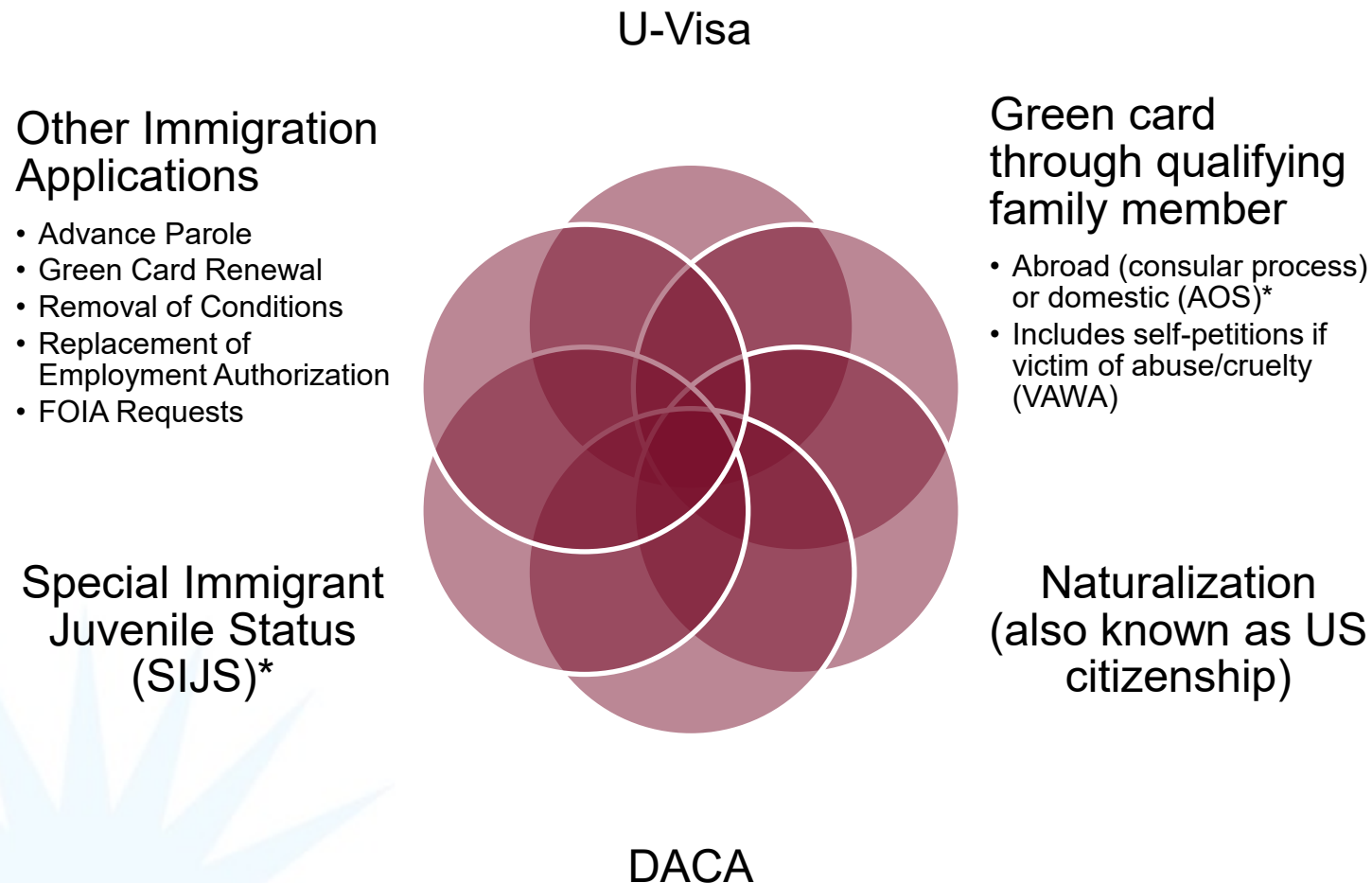
Regular educational ***presentations on popular topics*** like DACA, Know-Your-Rights, SLS services, Advance Parole, etc.



Liaisons work with on-campus partners (usually Dreamer Resource Centers) ***to present in-person and virtually***, usually as part of a clinic



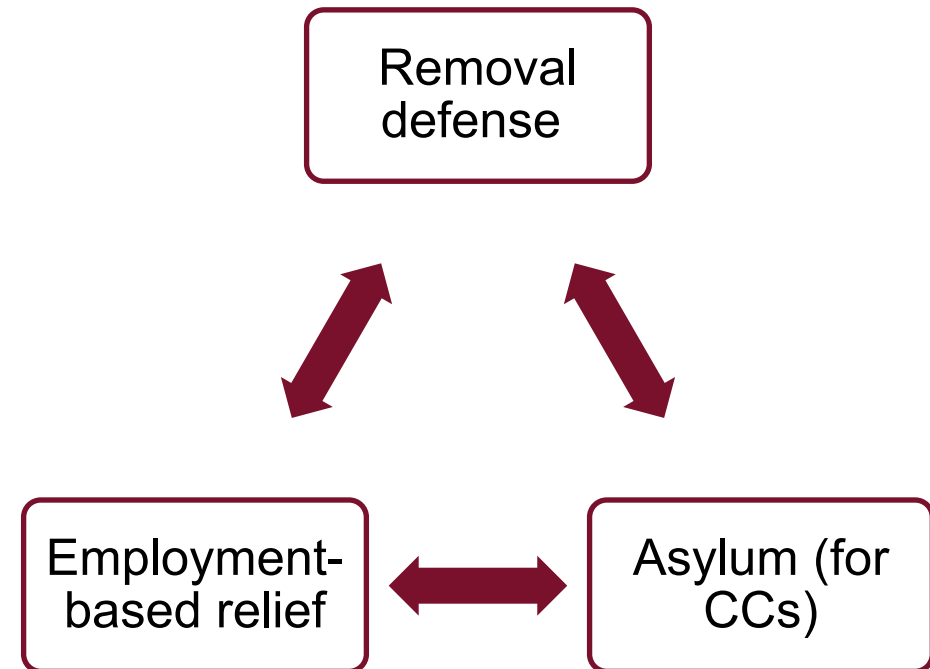
Background: Student Legal Services (SLS)



Which cases does SLS currently not take on?



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SLS Fee Assistance



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Upon screening, CHIRLA's SLS may be able to help cover the USCIS filing fees for California Community College eligible:

DACA

\$605

Naturalization (Citizenship)

\$760

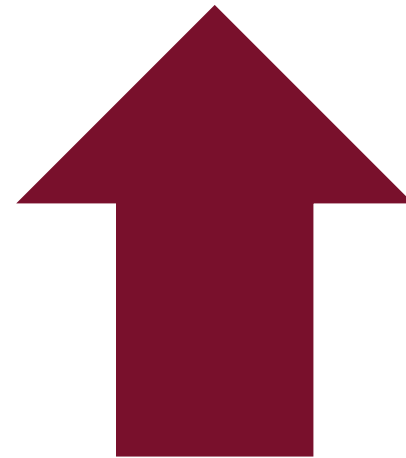
Advance Parole

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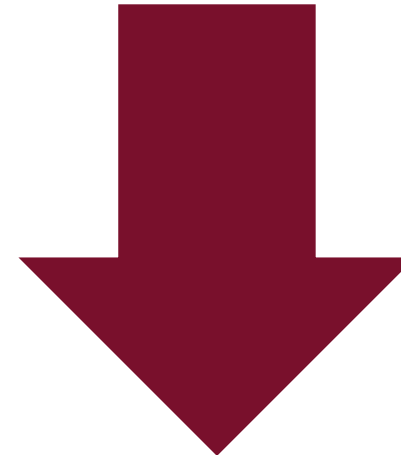
When/where are consultations?



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Virtually via Zoom on
Tuesday, Wednesday,
and ***Thursdays*** with 8
time slots every day.



In-person
consultations occur on-
campus on weekdays,
with the specific days
determined by the
college's needs.

How to refer clients to SLS



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For CCs: <https://findyourally.com/>

If clients need help (particularly older folks) refer them to their school's DRC

For CSUs: <https://legal.chirla.org/>

- Scroll down until buttons appear for each of the CSUs
- From there clients can set up a virtual appointment

Feel free to reach out to us directly if you ever have questions!

Protect Yourself from Immigration Scams

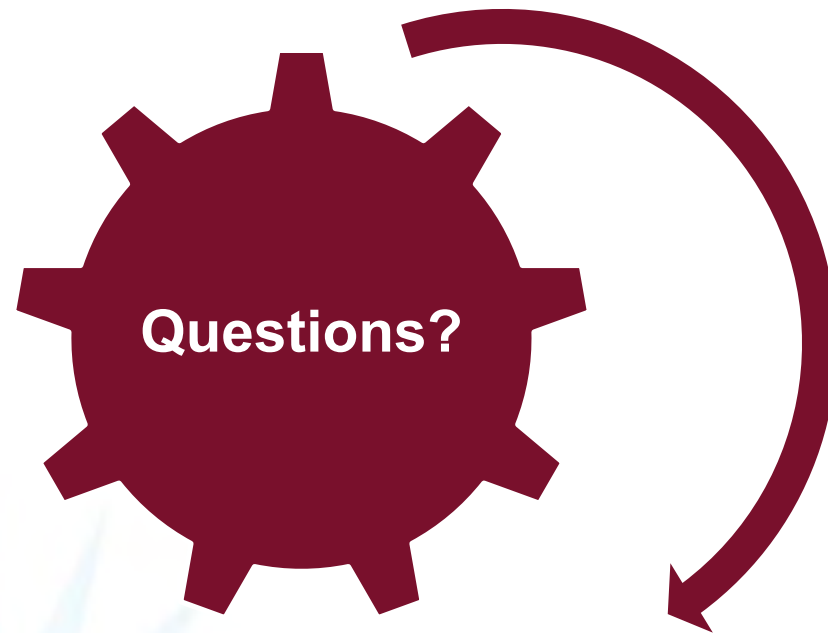


Government impersonators: Look out for individuals who pose as USCIS officials. USCIS will only contact you through official government channels and will not contact you through your personal social media accounts (such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.).

Scam Websites: Some websites claim to be affiliated with USCIS and offer step-by-step guidance on completing a USCIS application or petition. Make sure your information is from uscis.gov, dhs.gov, or is affiliated with uscis.gov. Make sure the website address ends with [.gov](https://uscis.gov).

Payments by Phone or Email: We will never ask you to transfer money to an individual. We do not accept Western Union, MoneyGram, PayPal, or gift cards as payment for immigration fees. In addition, we will never ask you to pay fees to a person on the phone or by email.

Notarios Públicos and unauthorized practitioners of immigration law: In the United States, a notario público is not authorized to provide you with any legal services related to immigration benefits. Only an attorney or an accredited representative working for a Department of Justice (DOJ)-recognized organization can give you legal advice. For more information about [finding legal services](#), visit our website.





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