



## PRESENTATION AND RESOURCES

### What's Next: Supporting Immigrant students

January 16, 2025

6pm - 7:30 pm ET

**RECORDING:** [Youtube video on our website](#)

 What's Next Jan 16.mp4

## DESCRIPTION

Join us for a **crucial discussion** and workshop that will address the implications of **upcoming immigration legislation** along with **actionable advice** for undocumented individuals & mixed-status families, including preparedness, know your rights and what you can start doing at your campus to support. This virtual event is open for students, faculty, and staff. Join us to create a supportive and informed community.

The goal of this workshop is to address questions students, staff, and faculty have about:

- What has been said about immigration legislation with the change of administration
- How can families prepare before the change in administration
- What are important know your rights practices and information
- How can students advocate for more resources at their campus
- How can staff and faculty better support students and communities at their campuses

## Speakers

- Cynthia Carvajal, CUNY UISP
- Profs. Nermeen Arastu & Talia Peleg, Co-Directors of the Immigrant and Non-Citizen Rights Clinic, CUNY School of Law
- Tania Mattos, Unlocal
- Shawn Rahman, CUNY Citizenship Now
- Maria Vera, New York State Youth Leadership Council

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6:00- 6:05 Intro (5 min) time for folks to join and intro - Cynthia

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- Welcome folks into the space, introduce the purpose of this workshop and what folks can hope to take from this workshop.

6:05 - 6:25 What is happening at the federal level? (20 min) Profs. Arastu & Peleg, [CUNY School of Law: Immigrant and Non-Citizen Rights Clinic](#)

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- Explainer on what is happening with regards to immigration in terms of policy & legislation
- What has been announced and what does it look like in reality/practice
- What can we expect will take place the first day/week
- What policies will most impact the CUNY Community
- Sharing spaces where folks can stay up to date on future legislation and policy changes – Are there any organizations, individuals, or institutions that provide trusted and up to date information? How else can folks be stay informed
- Groups to follow for up-to-date information on national and local immigration policy and actions:
  - [IDP](#)
  - [NYIC](#)
  - [NIPNLG](#)
  - [AIC](#)
  - [Documented NYC](#)
  - [National Immigration Law Center Day One EOs Analysis](#)
  - [The Immigration Policy Tracking Project](#)
- Local community-based organizations (may offer intake, resources, KYR and other educational materials, please contact org directly for most up-to-date information on what they are offering)
  - [The Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund](#) (Tribeca, Manhattan)
  - [Desis Rising Up & Moving](#) (Jackson Heights, Queens)
  - [Make the Road NY](#) (city-wide)
  - [Neighbor's Link](#) (Westchester, NY)
  - [CUNY Citizenship Now](#) (city-wide)
  - [Catholic Charities](#) (city-wide)

**6:25 -6:45 Preparedness Planning (20 min) Tania M., Unlocal**

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- For folks with a way to adjust (LPR, married to U.S. Citizens, etc) what should they consider doing
- For folks in mixed status families how can they create a preparedness plan in the event of deportation and family separation
- For undocumented families how can they prepare to support their families (ex. Protections, meeting with lawyers, etc)
- Resources to share in the chat
  - [Legal referral list](#)
  - [Advance Planning for Non-Citizen Parents](#)
  - [Check to see if there has been a decision on your case](#)
  - [If you submitted an application to USCIS, check status here](#)
  - [Cómo prepararse en caso de que eres arrestado por ICE](#)

**6:45 - 7:05 Know Your Rights (20 min) Shawn H., CUNY Citizenship Now**

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- Safety when traveling in NYC and the tri-state area (ex. Buses, amtrak, planes)
- Know Your Rights when interacting with the police
- Know Your Rights if ICE or CBP is at your home
- Know Your Rights if ICE or CBP is at your place of work
- Tools to help folks remember their rights (ex. Red cards)

**7:05-7:25 Student Preparedness 1: (Maria V., NYSYLC)**

**PRESENTATION:**  Canva slides

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- How can students advocate for themselves at their campuses and beyond
  - Examples of student leadership at CUNY and advocacy at the state level
- Discussing what can help students feel safer and how they can advocate
- Space for students to connect and create next steps
- Resources to share in the chat:
  - [NYSYLC Dream Team Network](#)
  - [NYSYLC Organizing Team](#)
  - [NYSYLC TeachDream](#) - Email [Teachdream@nysylc.org](mailto:Teachdream@nysylc.org) for more information
  - ICEwatch trainings by [NYC ICE watch](#)
  - [Order free Know Your Rights red cards](#) or print yourself

**7:25-7:40 Staff, Faculty, and Educators Preparedness: (Cynthia C., CUNY)**

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- Asses what is and isn't happening at your campus
  - What resources do and don't exist
  - Is there guidance for ICE on campus
  - Is there clarity on who is a point person on this at your space
- What are students and staff asking for in your spaces?
- Determine who at your space is an administrative ally and can support codifying this support
- Create a contact email thread and future support.
- Resources to share in the chat:
  - [Data Protections for FAFSA](#)
  - [10 Practices to Safeguard Student Data](#)
  - [National Review - Quick Checklist and Guide if ICE visits a University Campus or Institutions](#)
  - Example of Guidance - see slide 17 for all links
  - [Higher Education Portal - State and Country legislation](#)
  - [FAFSA Hub for Mixed-status families](#)
  - [Rights and Protections Hubs](#)

## **What's Next: Supporting Immigrant students**

- [Join the President's Alliance mailing list](#)
- [Senate Bill - Empire State Licensing Act](#)
- [Senate Bill - to expand in-state tuition](#)
- [JJAY Immigrant Student Success Center](#)
- [Brooklyn College Immigrant Student Success office](#)
- [City College Immigrant Student Center](#)
- [Hunter College Immigrant Student Success Office](#)
- [Baruch College Immigrant student Success Initiative](#)
- [Guttman Community College Immigrant student Success Initiative](#)
- [Queens College Immigrant Student Success Initiative](#)
- [Campus Immigrant Liaisons](#)