



# **Module 2:** NYS DREAM Act Eligibility and State Funding

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# Student whose permanent home is in NYS

Who meets one of the following immigration status criteria:

- T or U visa holder
- An individual granted temporary protected status (TPS)
- An individual without lawful immigration status
  - Includes students with expired T or U visas, TPS, or DACA status
  - Students with DACA status

AND

# Student whose permanent home is in NYS

Who meets one of previous immigration status criteria

AND

Who meets one of the following education criteria:

## 1. NYS High School Attendance

- a. Attended a NYS High School for 2 or more years
- b. Graduated from a NYS High School
- c. Enroll or enrolled to attend a NYS College
  - Undergrad within 5 years
  - Grad within 10 years

## 2. NYS High School Equivalency

- a. Received a NYS high school equivalency diploma
- b. Enroll or enrolled to attend a NYS College
  - Undergrad within 5 years
  - Grad within 10 years

3. Charged NYS resident in-state tuition rate at a SUNY or CUNY college for any reason other than residency

# Student whose permanent home is not in NYS

Who meets one of the following immigration status criteria:

- US citizen
- Permanent Lawful Resident
- T or U visa holder
- An individual granted temporary protected status (TPS)
- An individual without lawful immigration status
- Students with DACA status
- An individual who belongs to a class of refugees who was paroled by the attorney general

AND

# Student whose permanent home is not in NYS

Who meets one of previous immigration status criteria

AND

Who meets one of the following education criteria:

## 1. NYS High School Attendance

- a. Attended a NYS High School for 2 or more years
- b. Graduated from a NYS High School
- c. Applied for an award to attend a NYS College
  - Undergrad within 5 years
  - Grad within 10 years

## 2. NYS High School Equivalency

- a. Received a NYS high school equivalency diploma
- b. Applied for an award to attend a NYS College
  - Undergrad within 5 years
  - Grad within 10 years

- ## 3. Charged NYS resident in-state tuition rate at a SUNY or CUNY college for any reason

# TAP versus DREAM ACT TAP

<b>TAP applicants must...</b>	<b>Under NYS DREAM ACT, eligible TAP applicants must</b>
Be US citizens and eligible noncitizens	Be undocumented students and a number of other immigration statuses
Be NYS Residents	Be NYS or non-NYS Residents
Study at an approved postsecondary institution in NYS	Study at an approved postsecondary institution in NYS
Be in good academic standing	Be in good academic standing
Be enrolled as full-time	Be enrolled as full-time
Meet income eligibility limitations	Meet income eligibility limitations
Enrolled in credit-bearing courses applicable to the student's program of study	Enrolled in credit-bearing courses applicable to the student's program of study

# Is this person eligible?

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“I am undocumented, and I’ve been paying my way through a private NYS college. I graduated from high school in 2015 and this year I will be a sophomore in college. I’m so excited to continue my studies with this additional resource!”

Would this student qualify to apply for financial aid under the NYS DREAM Act?

# Is this person eligible?

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“I’m a single mom and, this year, I finally got my NYS High School Equivalency Diploma. Go me! I want to go to college but I have a U-visa. I heard there’s no financial aid for me.”

Would this student qualify to apply for financial aid under the NYS DREAM Act?



# Is this person eligible?

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“I just graduated from high school in New York. I live in Syracuse with my grandma but she never adopted me and she is not my legal guardian. My parents live in New Jersey. ”

Would this student qualify to apply for financial aid under the NYS DREAM Act?

# Is this person eligible?

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“I am a high school senior in NYC. My parents are in the process of petitioning for me so I can become a permanent resident. I already received my A# and working permit. I will attend a State University of NY (SUNY) college in the Fall.”

Would this student qualify to apply for financial aid under the NYS DREAM Act?