

## A Message from the Chancellor

Dear UNCG community,

Yesterday, the U.S. Attorney General announced that the federal government is ending the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. We know that this announcement may cause concern and uncertainty among our students and their families, our faculty and staff.

At UNCG, we recognize the valuable contributions DACA students make to our University and to our region. We see this sentiment being shared across the UNC system and indeed across the national higher education landscape. DACA participants are essential to the fabric of our community. They are our students, friends and colleagues.

Although many details are not yet finalized, it is our hope that the decisions made by Congress will recognize and respect the positive impact and meaningful contributions of the DACA recipients here and across our nation. We hope they will be allowed to continue pursuing their dreams.

Providing those affected with ongoing support and information is a primary focus. Several UNCG resources are now available, and these will continue to be active, updated and ready to help those needing information and assistance:

- Counseling: <u>https://shs.uncg.edu/cc</u>
- Office of Intercultural Engagement: <a href="https://intercultural.uncg.edu/">https://intercultural.uncg.edu/</a>
- Chancellor's Fellow for Campus Climate: <u>https://diversity-inclusion.uncg.edu/</u>

During this period of uncertainty, and beyond, we will support our students, families, faculty and staff impacted by these actions to the best of our ability. We continue to be guided by our values of equity, diversity and inclusion. And we remain committed to serving the best interests of all the members of our community.

Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. Chancellor

