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IN THE SHADOWS

DACA didn’t protect immigrants, program protected human beings

The student wanted to remain anonymous to keep an identity secret following recent racist incidents.

Before turning one, Camila’s parents needed a visa for her daughter. Everywhere around them, crimes and political unrest were troubling. They looked north, to a bright and beautifully prosperous country, the USA.

Before leaving Mexico, Camila’s dad applied and was approved for a work visa. Making the right steps, he pushed himself, working his tail off for over a year in the West Coast.

With work visas and more to be allowed to stay in America, it was hard for Camila’s parents to find time to become full citizens. Working, often seven days a week, and taking care of kids was no easy task, especially when the family felt they needed to hide that they were living in this country without full legal permission.

For years, Camila and her family have lived in Nebraska, beating their tails, working and trying to save up to become full citizens. One day “The family didn’t think they would be able to pay for Camila to go to a university; instead, they chose a community college.

Camila said her parents have proven so much already but there was more to be done for them. She decided to go to a step higher and attend the University of Nebraska at Kearney. She wanted to prove their effort wouldn’t just be for a mediocre life but one that is filled with hard work and bravery.

“Applying and getting accepted was the easiest part,” she said. “The hardest part was finding the money and applying for tons of scholarships that I would even be able to receive.”

Without “legal status” as a U.S. citizen, and listed as “temporary resident” she is ineligible for the majority of all scholarships.

After months of applying with little success, the only option her parents could find was a hasty loan for thousands of dollars. The only way they could get a loan was for Camila to list herself as an international student, which she technically is.

Camila finally lucked out in her senior year after becoming exhaustingly active in joining organizations on campus; she found her program.

Her dreams, the hard, dirty work your parents went through, all wasted.

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Future elementary teacher looks back on college experience

Emily Burd, a senior from Lincoln, had no problem choosing her major. She can’t remember a time when she didn’t want to be a teacher.

Her choice to pursue an early childhood inclusive bachelor of arts in education was easily made after working at a child development center for several years, starting at the age of 13.

Currently, Burd is student teaching first grade at Meadowlark Elementary in Kearney. “I love building relationships with my students by getting to know them. I love teaching each and every one of them, and it is truly rewarding to see them grow academically throughout the semester.”

While Burd has enjoyed the student teaching experience, she has also realized just how exhausting teaching can be. “There really is a lot that teachers have to do to remain organized and prepared for the following week. I go to bed a lot earlier than I used to.”

The 2014 Lincoln Southwest graduate will graduate this May and advises other students that might student teach in the future to be flexible. “You really have to be willing to do anything that is needed, as you want to present yourself as a valuable member of the team. Making a presence in the school by talking to other teachers and administrators really helps build connections that will come in handy when trying to find a job,” said Burd.

Burd prepares for life after college

Q. Why did you choose UNK?
A. I decided to attend UNK after visiting different schools and seeing how the campus seemed like I knew I had a smaller campus and that the class sizes were smaller. I was also awarded several scholarships to attend UNK, so that was a big deciding factor.

Q. What are your post-graduation plans?
A. I am moving to Omaha where I will hopefully find a full-time teaching job in an elementary school.

Q. What has been your favorite part about college?
A. I love that college provides the freedom to pursue a career in whatever path you choose. It gives you a chance to meet new people and focus on what is important to you.

Q. What has been your least favorite part about college?
A. My least favorite part of college is definitely being broke all the time. I am pretty ready to have a stable financial situation.

Q. Did you have a job during college?
A. Yes, I got a job at the UNK Child Development Center in October of my freshman year and worked with infants there until I started student teaching this spring. It took me a while to learn how to do that. It came in handy when trying to find a job, ” said Burd.

DREAMer opens up about ending of DACA

Imagine a familiar, middle class family, such as most in the state of Nebraska, all sitting around after dinner and watching the television. The only difference is their constant fear because of their legal status. This is a family of immigrants. Suddenly, news interrupts the peaceful evening of the family watching the television, and they find out that they could be separated by being sent to a different country with no home, no job, no money and no life. Many DACA recipients feel as if the apocalypse has begun. To understand the workings and the exhausting effects that the cancellation of the administrative program has caused, a brave student agreed to speak about how hard the times have been following the imposed DACA end date.

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Valencia finds HSA all-consuming

"My parents, they gave everything to come here to give me a better life. Without knowing a word of English, they dove into out nothingness.” - Gustavo Valencia
Alpha Xi Delta hosts annual Step It Up 5K Run/Walk for Autism Speaks

LINDSEY RUZI
April is the month that dictates both excitement and dread for college students. It’s the last month of classes, and you’re ready for summer, but it’s also the busiest month for most students.

UNK’s own Alpha Xi Delta sorority held its annual spring philanthropy event this past Sunday, April 8. Every year in April, Autism Awareness Month, Alpha Xi Delta partners with Autism Speaks to host an amazing challenge: the Step It Up 5K Run/Walk to raise awareness and funds for families involved in the organization. Since the pairing with the two organizations in 2009, Alpha Xi Delta chapters all over the United States have raised over six million dollars and that number just keeps growing. Alpha Xi Delta continues to demonstrate and show commitment to support Autism Speaks by hosting other events nationwide such as Football FrenXi, Xi Man, Puzzlepalooza and so much more. The annual event is held at the Kearney Archway every year, which offers a perfect outdoor setting for the 5K. Chapter and community members participated in games, musical entertainment and raffle prizes. There were also refreshments. Local businesses donate prizes and food every year to help make the event successful. The Step It Up 5K would not be successful without community involvement. It’s the key to success; any Alpha Xi Delta member will say. Everyone involved in the 5K, no matter if they were walking or running, played a huge role in helping families that are affected by autism. Having the passion and desire to make a difference, community, friends and family means so much to every member.

The chapter philanthropy chair, Beth Revelo, a junior elementary education major from Carlsbad, is very passionate for the cause. Autism Speaks and philanthropy are two of the reasons she joined Alpha Xi Delta, and she continues to put everything she has into the chapter philanthropy. This year, the chapter at UNK also participated in Lightweight Up blue where chapter members hit up UNK’s campus with blue lights and decorations to shed more light on autism, raising more understanding and acceptance. The main focus for Autism Speaks is finding a cure, but it’s also to help all individuals and families on every end of the autism spectrum. No type of autism is too little or too small. Autism Speaks continues to shine and do as much as possible for the autistic communities all around the United States. Revelo expressed her thanks to all the participants from the surrounding communities and UNK, students, faculty and staff. “They are what makes our event event. Without them, there wouldn’t be an event. Every year we set a goal, and we do everything we can to make that goal. Our donation may be just a small portion of what Alpha Xi Delta does as a whole, but it is still creating an impact.”

Alpha Xi Delta members thank everyone for coming to the event and hope to have an even bigger turnout next April.

What comes next: how students can parlay internships into jobs

With the job market on the upswing, college students can turn past experience into career path

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The job market appears to be a bit more promising for soon-to-be college graduates than it has been for most of this decade. Just four years ago, CNN Money reported that 260,000 college grads held minimum-wage jobs. Barely 25 percent had a job related to their college major. But this year, the National Association of Colleges and Employers projects U.S. companies will hire 4 percent more new college graduates than they did from the Class of 2017.

Yet with more optimistic employment prospects, there’s still stiff competition for those first “real” jobs. Who stands the best chance of getting them?

Several studies show that college internships make a significant difference. According to Gallup, for example, recent graduates who had an internship in college were more than twice as likely to be hired for a good, career-related job immediately after graduation. “The solution for college students is to increase job experience while still in school, and that means obtaining a hands-on internship every summer while in college,” says Matthew Stewart, co-founder of College Works Painting (www.collegeworks.com), which provides business experience for thousands of college students each year. “Unless you graduate college with a significant amount of real-world job experience, finding a job will be incredibly difficult.”

Stewart gives college students four tips on maximizing their college internship in order to improve their post-grad job prospects.

• Find an internship that challenges you. An internship experience that will be meaningful on a resume should make demands of the student. Stewart says. Ideally, they’re getting a preview of their chosen profession and an idea of the skills they’ll need to succeed. “College students should be looking for experiences that will challenge them,” Stewart says. “When they get out of school, they will be competing with thousands of other graduates. They need to ask themselves, ‘Will the internship offer real experience that will separate me from my peers?’”

• Treat your internship like a career. “The easiest way to treat your student job like a career is to ask your boss to mentor you,” Stewart says. “Under the mentorship of your supervisor, you can expand your basic job functions.”

• Be proactive, take initiative. Going above and beyond in your internship will set the foundation for your career. “You’ll gain confidence by taking initiative, which is a core skill in the business world,” Stewart says. “It’s important to set goals and have a plan of action around those goals.”

• Seek promotion opportunities. “Again, the mentor factor comes in,” Stewart says. “Build a strong relationship with your mentor, and let him or her know you are eager for more responsibility and that you’re up for the challenges. Always check the company job board.”

“College is not the time to relax,” Stewart says. “You need to treat college and an internship seriously; it’s your future. College consists of three summers of internships, and by the fourth summer students should have what it takes to find a career.”

About Matt Stewart
Matt Stewart is co-founder of College Works Painting (www.collegeworks.com/about), which provides business experience for thousands of college students each year. The program also offers high-quality house-painting services for homeowners. Stewart received the Excellence in Entrepreneurship Award from the Orange County Business Journal, and College Works Painting also was named one of the 50 most entrepreneurial leaders by Ernst & Young, Entrepreneur, and other periodicals. Stewart is a past chairman of the global board for Entrepreneurs’ Organization (EO).
Time to get motivated

Finding motivation so you have to do finals week is take exams

JESS MOSER

"We’ve all heard someone say something along the lines of ‘you’re dead in the water for the year, why are you so stressed?’

While we’re all looking forward to that glorious three- and a-half-month break, when we can watch Netflix without feeling guilty, we still have to get through the next three weeks.

For some of us, those three weeks are a cruel task of deadlines, stress and absolutely no motivation to do anything about it.

“My motivation has slowly gone downhill,” said Amber Trimble, a sophomore family studies major from Ft. Collins, Colorado. “Especially as assignments get harder, you just don’t want to put in the effort to do them.”

There is one important thing to remember in the end of the spring semester: find a system that works for you. What works for one person may not work for another.

“As weird as it sounds, I give myself crash breaks. So, if I’m studying for so long then I get a break,” said Trimble. “Sometimes it’s the only way that I actually do study. Just small rewards as you go.”

Preparation is not your friend at the end of a semester, so don’t leave all those pesky paper final projects and papers until dead week. Break your work on them each day so you slowly chip away at them and aren’t left with a week’s worth of work before finals.

“My motivation now is to do a little work every night. That way, you’re not left with a month’s worth of work when we can watch Netflix without feeling guilty.

Just remember to eat a vegetable now and then and not rely solely on hot pockets and coffee.

Don’t begrudge yourself a night out with friends. Time may be running out on the semester but there is enough time to finish all your assignments, study for finals and still enjoy the friends you’ve made here at UNK. So, relax, breathe and stay motivated. You’ve got this.

The English Department will host its annual Student Language and Literature Conference on Friday, April 13. The conference is free and open to the public.

This will be the 25th anniversary of the conference.

The conference features many 60-minute themed panel sessions of both scholarly and creative work by English undergraduate and graduate students. Students will present criticism on literary works, read their original poetry, essays and short fiction. They will also engage in discussion with their fellow presenters and with the audience.

The conference will be all day and will take place at UNK’s Thomas Hall. Sessions will begin at 9 a.m. An Awards Ceremony and Closing Reception will be held in the Thomas Hall Ballroom from 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. A complete schedule of events will be available in the Thomas Hall Atrium on the second floor of Thomas Hall.

Scholarly panels will include sessions titled “Challenging Conventions: Art, Law, and Fashion in Victorian Literature,” “The Dream and Nightmare Foundation: Hollywood in Literature and Film,” and “Storing of Liberty and Visions of America.”

Creative writing panels will include sessions on “Rants and Rage: Short Fiction,” “Fascinations - Observing Others: Short Fiction,” “Past Selves: New Selves: Short Fiction” and “Big Sky: Nebraska in Prose and Poetry.”

There will also be a special session on “Opportunities and Challenges in the English Major,” in which upper class English majors join faculty members to discuss career and publishing opportunities for English majors.

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Thank you for your contribution.
Janicek brings friendly face to student government

This student senator came to campus planning to get involved

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By the one word Taylor Janicek uses to describe herself: friendly. The newly elected vice president of the student body served student government as a senator and leader of the UNK Student Government Social Sciences. Janicek, a junior psychology major from Bridgeport, was serving his second term on the Student Senate when he wrote the campus.

Janicek’s involvement ranges from fraternity life to service organizations. “I’ve talked to student affairs. He’s involved with the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity and Order of Omega and is a resident assistant and FIRST Leader in the upcoming academic year. He’s also made his relationship with him. He does a lot working with other people. He’s open and someone can feel comfortable with,” student government advisor Tim Damme said.

Janicek wrote his first term on it instantly. In 2017, former President Donald Trump and his cabinet dismissed without an “abuse of his executive authority,” in the DACA program. The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA. It was a blessing in disguise because DACA gave those children who were brought over at a young age a two- year window to apply for legal status. It is the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DACA. In September 2017, the policy little by little. It was announced creating DAC...
**Senior Spotlight: Alex Hart looks forward to potential career in sports field**

**Evan Jones**

Alex Hart, a senior at UNK, has his eye set on graduating on the coming weeks. Hart is majoring in sports management and a sports management major, reflects on his time here. "At UNK, I have had the opportunity of a lifetime to come to small town, so I knew it would be a good fit for me. Not just the size of Kearney, but the size of UNK. Both played major factors in my decision," said Hart.

During Hart’s time here at the University, he has been very involved. “Coming by Staff April 1, 2018

Hart's involvement sets up bright future for himself. "Some of the things I have done most stands out is being a Loper team throughout the season. The UNK track program, like many others, rewards leadership both on the track and in the classroom," said Hart. Responsibility, punctuality, and caring are skills that coaches look for outside of physical ability.

Coaches will often give these students the honor of being a team captain, and the same is true for the UNK track and field team. During the beginning of every new season, the track and field coaches get together and pick the captains for the upcoming season. Typically, one athlete from each event is chosen.

Cindy Wirth, a senior exercise science major, is a distance runner who has had a spectacular career so far and hopes to finish strong this year. Wirth had a tough mid-season injury that he looks to bounce back from this outdoor season. He is a native of Kearney and continues to make his home city proud as he enters his senior outdoor season.

Emily Everett is a senior biology major who hails from O'Neill. She has displayed a knack for leadership since her freshman year. As Molly Stern reports back with her insider scoop on the upcoming tourney as president for little over a year. Now I'm just an active member trying to do things right and reestablished here on campus.

Looking back, Hart has some memories at UNK that will stick with him. “Some of my best memories come from my different experiences and involvements. Worked as a student equipment manager for the football team for four years was great — not just a glorious time at jobs being able to work with the team and see some of their exciting wins and games was really cool. Being a student diplomat and working for the admissions office, having the time to see some of those kids come back for new student enrollment—that’s been a really cool experience for me,” said Hart.

Hart is a member of the Thompson Scholar Learning Community and is one of the only upperclassman student that has done everything in the Thompson Scholars,” said Hart. He served as a mentor in the school year of 2015-2016. As for his future, he has thought about graduate school. “The biggest program I have been looking at is UNK, particularly their MAIAA program with Intercollegiate Athletics. I’ve looked at that program pretty seriously.

Right after graduation, Hart will begin a new job with the fraternity he was a member of in his time at UNK. “I just recently accepted a job with Sigma Tau Gamma national headquarters on Indianapolis. So, I will be working for my fraternity as a recruitment and growth coordinator. I will be traveling the country helping set up new expansions, coaching current chapters and helping with those things from the headquarters.”

Even with this opportunity with the fraternity he loves, Hart hopes to be back in athletics at some point in his career. "Short term, I’d like to get back into athletics, whether it be operations, gameday management or those types of things. Long term, I’d like to work in sports administration." Hart does have some good advice for students currently at UNK and for future students as well. “The biggest thing is to get involved. Find the things you’re passionate about. You’re going to enjoy it and learn a lot.”

**Weekend storms put softball team on road a few days early**

The Nebraska-Kearney Loper Invitational was scheduled for this weekend has been moved due to expected inclement weather in the area. On Thursday, the Nebraska-Kearney High School, was supposed to take place Friday evening and all day Saturday. Next, the meet will be Wednesday night and run through Thursday.

The Women’s 5,000 meter run (women followed by men) will go off Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, throwers begin at 11 a.m. with field and the first discus vault and their field meet will start around 8 p.m. on Thursday.

UNK has two more outdoor meets this spring at KHS; the MIAA Outdoor Championships (May 4-6) and the Loper Last Chance (May 13).

**Go online to brandish the blue capital C on their jersey**

**Go on the road with the Lady Lopers**

The Nebraska-Kearney softball team has changed as road double headers at Northwest Missouri State and Missouri Western State have been moved up two days.

Instead of playing Saturday and Sunday, UNK will now travel to Northwest on Thursday and Missouri on Friday. The Lopers will face the Bearcats (20-24, 11-13) at 2 and 4 p.m. and the Griffins (19-22, 10-6) at 4 and 6 p.m. UNK (13-24, 9-11) is currently in eighth place in the MIAA standings.

The top eight teams at the end of the regular season make the league tournament. The Lopers close out the MIAA schedule next Sunday, April 22, with a home double header vs. Fort Hays State (31-3, 7-13).

**IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE ANTELOPE:**

Go on the road with the Lady Lopers as Molly Stern reports back with her insider scoop on the upcoming journey at Northwest Missouri State.

**Run it with by Staff**

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"I got married there. I played four years in Belgium, and the last three years I was there I dated a girl. We've now been married for 14 years. Belgium was a great country to play in," said Kropp.

Talking about basketball today, Kropp offered his thoughts on the one-and-done rule in college basketball. "This means that players out of high school go to college for one season, and then pursue a pro career in the NBA. "I don't really have a strong opinion on that. But, I do know that when I played in NBA I never go out to Washington, and I would play in summer league. A lot of times, the summer league would be in the gym. So, you would have guys that never really were to school but would be 17 or 18 years old, and they were good enough to play in the NBA."

In today's generation, Leffon James is the most dominant player in the NBA. For Kropp, a player that was like that had great tools and dominated as well. "The thing I think back to was that we had just played the Los Angeles Lakers, and we were coming back to the hotel. I had a close friend on the Washington Bullets, and his name was Clem Haakins. Clem was a great NBA player, and he also went on to coach the Minnesota to the NBA final four many years ago. But I remember sitting there on the bus, and we had just lost pretty badly to the Lakers. Clem was very wise with basketball. He said, 'You know Tom, you just saw a player that is the best player to have ever played in the NBA. Tom, this guy is so good, for the next 30 years, he will be considered the best player that has ever played the game of basketball.' That man was Kareem Abdul-Jabbar."

Benjamin Rojas