To: The campus community
From: Kimberly Goff-Crews, Vice President for Campus Life and Dean of Students in the University
Re: Undocumented Students
Date: October 7, 2010

In response to concerns and questions raised by members of our community about the University’s stance toward students and prospective students who are undocumented immigrants, the University has issued the following statement:

The University of Chicago has, from its inception, been a place where the best and brightest minds from around the world can gather to shape ideas, produce new knowledge, and contribute to the betterment of human life. Our community has been deliberately inclusive, because it is from the widest possible range of perspectives and viewpoints that the most innovative ideas can be proposed, tested, and debated. We are committed to assembling a community of talented individuals regardless of their backgrounds, financial circumstances, or national origins. This commitment is further discussed in President Zimmer’s statement on diversity, posted at http://www.uchicago.edu/diversity/zimmer.shtml.

In this context, the University of Chicago considers for admission students from around the world. All students who apply, regardless of citizenship, are considered for admission to the University and for every type of private financial aid which the University offers. In accordance with the law, the University admits and enrolls undocumented students and uses private funds to provide financial aid to support their studies.