

**English Language and Composition**  
**Suggested Writing Time: 40 minutes**

**Directions:** The following prompt is based on the seven sources found on msjarrett.weebly.com under “immigration reform.”

This question requires you to integrate a variety of sources into a coherent, well-written essay. *Refer to the sources to support your position; avoid mere paraphrase or summary. Your argument should be central; the sources should support this argument.*

Remember to attribute both direct and indirect citations.

**Introduction**

Immigration reform has become a major issue for the United States of America as the undocumented immigration population has soared. The undocumented immigrants, many of whom have lived in the US for their entire lives, live in fear of being deported and lack the same rights and protections of US citizens. Many contribute positively to the society, working hard to support their families and improve their lives. However, other undocumented immigrants pose a threat due to criminal activity, such as drug trafficking. In addition, there is the economic burden of providing education and health care to undocumented immigrants.

**Assignment**

Carefully read the following sources. **Then, in an essay, synthesize information from at least four sources for support, take a position that defends, challenges, or qualifies the claim that Obama should use his executive power to implement his immigration reforms.**

Refer to the sources as Source 1, Source 2, etc.; titles are included for your convenience.

Source 1 (Handerson)

Source 2 (Obama)

Source 3 (Summers)

Source 4 (Werner)

Source 5 (Moyer)

Source 6 (Fiscal Policy Institute graph)

Source 7 (various graphs: identify the graph you are using by stating the **source at the bottom of the particular graph**)