

The Virgin Islands Consortium

Three Vie For 2018-2019 Miss UVI Ambassadorial Title On April 14

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The University of the Virgin Islands' Student Government Association (SGA) Queens Committee on Tuesday announced its annual Miss University of the Virgin Islands Ambassadorial Competition, set to take place at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 14, in the St. Croix Educational Complex Gymnasium.

"We are glad to continue the tradition of hosting the Miss University of the Virgin Islands Ambassadorial Competition," said Kevin Dixon, coordinator of Student Activities on St. Croix. "We are always ecstatic about providing opportunities for our students to showcase their talents, and intellect, as they all vie to serve as an ambassador for our institution."

The competition is alternated between, the St. Croix and St. Thomas Campuses. Though the competition was slated to be held on St. Thomas this year, due to the damage on St. Thomas from Hurricane Irma, specifically to the Reichhold Center, SGA- St. Thomas was unable to host the event.

The Miss University of the Virgin Islands Ambassadorial Competition, seeks to find a young, vibrant goodwill ambassador for the University.

This year's competition will showcase three UVI students, who will compete for a chance to succeed Angelique Flemming, reigning Miss University of the Virgin Islands.

Contestant #1, Ashley Simpson, is a 24-year-old sophomore nursing student at the University of the Virgin Islands- Albert A. Sheen Campus. Her platform is centered around health awareness especially among her peers and is entitled: " On Your Way To A Better You."

Contestant #2, Kendra Kent, is a 21-year-old junior criminal justice student at the University of the Virgin Islands- St. Thomas Campus. Her platform is centered around mental health/wellness awareness especially among her peers and is entitled: "The Wounds Unseen."

Contestant #3, Ki-Ana Tonge, is a 21-year-old sophomore early childhood education student at the University of the Virgin Islands- Albert A. Sheen Campus. Her platform, "Education is Paramount/Key," emphasizes the pivotal role that seeking a higher education plays in ensuring a bright and successful future.

The contestants will participate in a closed pre-pageant interview on Saturday, April 7, in UVI's Great Hall on the Sheen Campus- St. Croix. Points accumulated from this segment will go toward the overall competition scores.

The Miss UVI Ambassadorial Competition has six other segments to include: business wear, introduction, ambassadorial presentation, talent, evening wear, and question and answer.

Miss UVI 2018-2019 will receive a one-year tuition, room and board scholarship valued at approximately \$13,000 among other prizes. The contestant crowned Miss UVI is expected to participate in UVI's recruitment efforts, represent the University locally and abroad, and maintain a highly visible role on UVI's campuses on St. Croix and St. Thomas.

Tickets are available in the UVI Bookstore on both the Albert A. Sheen Campus and St. Thomas Campus. Tickets are \$15 for UVI students with valid student ID cards, \$20 for the general public and \$25 for VIP. VIP includes reserved seating only. \$10 for children six-12 years and five and under are free. (Children can be paid for at the door.)

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