

2023

MISS PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT



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The Queen: Miss PVAMU

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The Historical Perspective of Miss Prairie View

- 1932 The title of Miss Prairie View awarded for the first time.
- From 1932-1969: Miss Prairie View was a selected solely by student vote.
- From 1970 until the late 80s, Miss Prairie View A&M was a competitor in the Miss Texas Pageant leading to the Miss America Pageant.
- The title "Miss Prairie View A&M University" was established in 1973 when the sixty-third legislature changed the name of the college to "Prairie View A&M University".
- In 2022, we celebrated 90 years of Miss Prairie View A&M University.





Role of the Crown

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- Must fulfill Platform (6 programs)
 - Must complete one (1) community service event
- Must attend all Official Royal Court events
- Serve on official committees i.e. Commencement, Women's History Month, and others as assigned
- Serves as the official female representative and as a role model for the student body
- Participate in Annual University and Alumni initiatives

Contestant Requirements:



- 1. Must be a validated, full-time, undergraduate Prairie View A&M University student.
- 2. Must have and maintain a cumulative 3.00 GPA to compete for and serve as Miss Prairie View A&M University.
- 3. Must be a rising junior with a minimum of 60 credit hours or a rising senior with a minimum 90 credit hours. Having earned at least 30 credit hours at Prairie View A&M University.
- 4. Must be in compliance with the University Code of Conduct.
 - 5. Must be female, not be married or have children.**

^{**}Note: The Miss Prairie View A&M University contestant eligibility requirements are to ensure that the reigning queen at Prairie View A&M University will satisfy the necessary pageant requirements in the event that she were to participate in an external pageant. Please note that local, regional and national pageant competitions require candidates for "Miss" titles to be a natural born female, single, unmarried, having never been married, and without child.

Contestant Requirements Cont.:

- 6. Complete and submit the application on or before the deadline.
- 7. Must be willing to comply with and uphold all items, roles, and responsibilities outlined in the Miss PVAMU contract.
- 8. Secure \$1000 in advertising sales for the Pageant Souvenir Booklet



Application Requirement

- Official Contestant Application (Online)
 - Conservative Head Shot
 - Unofficial Transcript
 - Three Letters of Recommendation
 (One must come from a university professor or administrator)
 - Statement/Essay
 - How do you view the role of Miss Prairie View through the lens of Leadership? (300 words or less)
 - Contestant Spring Course Schedule
 - Contestant Employment Schedule (If applicable)
 - \$250 Non-Refundable Application Fee (Due at first meeting)







Pageant Overview

April 12, 2023 Opal Johnson Smith Auditorium 7:00PM

Phase I (Closed to Judges only)

Private Interview: 25%

Ambassadorial Oratory Presentation: 25%

Phase II (Onstage Competition)

Talent: 20%

Formal Wear: 10%

Impromptu Question And Answer: 10%

*Student Vote: 10%

^{*} Student Vote is conducted during Spring SGA elections

Pageant Categories

Private Interview (25%):

First phase of the competition. Each contestant will meet with the panel of judges for 15 minutes. The interview typically takes place prior to the onstage portion. Similar to a job interview, during this time you will acquaint yourself with the judges in which questions will be asked. Questions will come from your Personal Self Portrait, current events, politics (National, State, and Local), PVAMU history and involvement.

Ambassadorial Oratory Presentation (25%):

Contestants will submit a presentation not exceeding two (2) minutes, in video format designed to provide information (Recruitment, Retention, Engagement) that promotes the university.

Talent (20%):

The first phase of the competition performed on stage. It is designed for constants to showcase creativity, preparatory and performance skill. The Talent competition acknowledges the "Quality of the performance, "Technical Skill Level", "Stage Presence", and the interest and entertainment value.

Formal Wear (10%):

Contestants attire for this category is select a long formal dress. Style i.e. fit or flowing gowns are optional. Gowns with plunging necklines, plunging backs, high slits, or overly revealing cutouts will NOT be approved.

Impromptu Q&A (10%):

The third and final phase of competition held on stage. During this portion, contestants will respond to a randomly selected question in which they will express themselves verbally based on their opinion.



Pageant Attire

Private Interview:

Contestants are required to wear a business suit/dress, reflective of your personality. Style and colors are open, yet should complement you. Remember, you are interviewing for the job/title of Miss Prairie View A&M University.

Talent:

Contestants attire should be appropriate and fitting for and connects to the overall performance.

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Impromptu Q&A:

Contestants are to wear their exact attire from the formal wear competition.

Note: All attire must be pre-approved by the MPVAMU Pageant Committee three (3) weeks prior to the pageant. Contestants who fail to receive attire approval will forfeit the opportunity to compete in the respective category. No two contestant will be allowed to wear the same color, yet can be in the same color family i.e. Pink and Fuchsia or Navy Blue and Sky Blue. Color and attire approval is based on a first come, first approved. Contestants will not be allowed to make any attire adjustments after approval.



Campaigning: SGA

Approved Miss PVAMU pageant contestants must attend the campaign meeting hosted by the Student Government Association, where information regarding rules and regulations will be provided. Campaign materials should reflect the high standards and integrity of the title Miss Prairie View A&M University. All campaign material(s) will need to approved by the Miss PVAMU Pageant coordinators prior to posting.

Any questions or concerns in regards to campaigning should be directed to the SGA Elections Committee.

Contestant Development and Practice

Contestants must attend <u>all</u> meeting and workshops in which we will cover each target area. Missing practice may impact your over all performance and participation in the pageant. Additionally, **you should be constantly perfecting**these areas outside of practice. Practice makes perfect!

Development Target Areas:

- Platform Development
- Pageant Segments
 - Private Interview
 - Talent Development
 - Impromptu Question
 - On Stage Presentation
- Professional and Leadership Development
- Etiquette

Questions

Application will open: Nov. 30th, 2022

Application will close: Dec. 14th, 2022 at 5PM

Contestants will be notified: Dec. 20th, 2022

For additional questions, please email Lorie Proctor at Lmproctor@pvamu.edu

