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I hope everyone is ready for finals and for this semester to be over with! Good luck on your finals and all the best to the juniors/seniors who will be taking their standardized entrance exams soon and will be applying for this cycle. You got this!!

Congratulations to the graduating seniors and wishing you the best for your future endeavors! "If you don't go after what you want, you'll never have it. If you don't ask, the answer is always no. If you don't step forward, you're always in the same place." – Nora Roberts

Have a wonderful, safe, and productive summer! It was great being the 2020-2021 Historian for the UMA. Congratulations, new E-Board! Can't wait to see the UMA continue to prosper!

VOCAB PRACTICE!

Chimeric (Pronunciation: Chi-mer-ic)

1. Relating to or denoting an organism containing a mixture of genetically different tissues, formed by processes such as fusion of early embryos, grafting, or mutation.
2. Hoped for but illusory or impossible to achieve.
3. (Of a mythical animal) formed from parts of various animals.

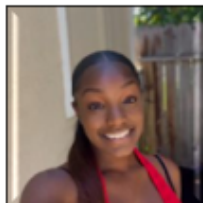
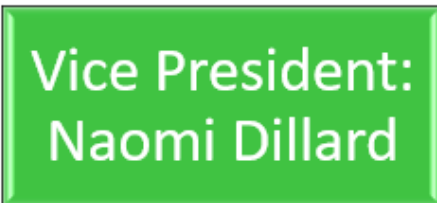
Defenestration (Pronunciation: De-fen-es-tra-tion)

1. The action of throwing someone out of a window.
2. The action of dismissing someone from a position of power or authority.

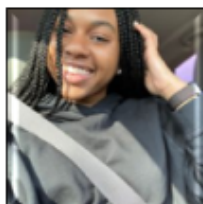
2021-2022 E-BOARD



President:
Jordan Shaw



Treasurer: Cale
Watkins



**“Always do
your best.
What you
plant now, you
will harvest
later.”
Og Mandino**

UMA SCHOLARS' ACCOMPLISHMENTS & SUCCESSES



Rae'Miah James, senior, aspires to become an OB-GYN. She plans on taking a gap year, where she will either start teaching to put her degree to work or take on research opportunities.

Rae'Miah is currently looking into research opportunities with Dr. Sultana. She was accepted into Tri-Beta & Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society. Congratulations!



Taverlyn Shepard, junior, aspires to become an endocrinologist or cardiologist. She will be completing her summer internship at the University of North Texas Health Science Center - Summer Multicultural Advance Research Training Program. You did it!



Malcolm T Wiseman Jr., graduating Senior, aspires to become a physician or a surgeon. He will be attending The University of Cincinnati Medical School. Congratulations! In the summer, Malcolm is participating in the MED program at UNC Chapel Hill. He will be graduating Summa Cum Laude.



Taylor Baker, graduating senior, aspires to become a dermatologist. She will be graduating Summa Cum Laude and will be working during her gap year. In the summer, she will be interning at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill MED Program. Way to go!



Morgan Green, senior, aspires to become a veterinarian. Her post grad plan is to work under a research investigator with M.D. Anderson extending her current research job for a year prior to applying to vet school. Her summer plan is to take classes while continuing her research job with M.D. Anderson. You've got this!



Tyra Buckley, graduating Senior, will be earning her MBA with Healthcare Administration emphasis at Texas Women's University in Fall 2021. Fantastic! She has many awards and accomplishments at PV, from poster presentations at various conferences to receiving leadership and scholarship opportunities.



Grace Brooks, sophomore, aspires to become a pediatric oncologist. She will be attending summer school and participating in a research program here on campus!



Tyra Latrice James, junior, aspires to become a physician assistant. She will be interning virtually at the Dell Medical School JAMP Program. That's awesome!



Caroline Rose Granum, Jasper Scholar, aspires to become a veterinarian. She has been accepted into Purdue's VetUp! College Internship. It is a six-week long program that is similar to the experiences of current vet students. Well done!



Francesca Anderson, graduating Senior, aspires to become a general or a cosmetic Dentist. She will be attending the TAMUCOD Post-Baccalaureate program, and upon completion, will enter dental school in 2022. Congratulations!

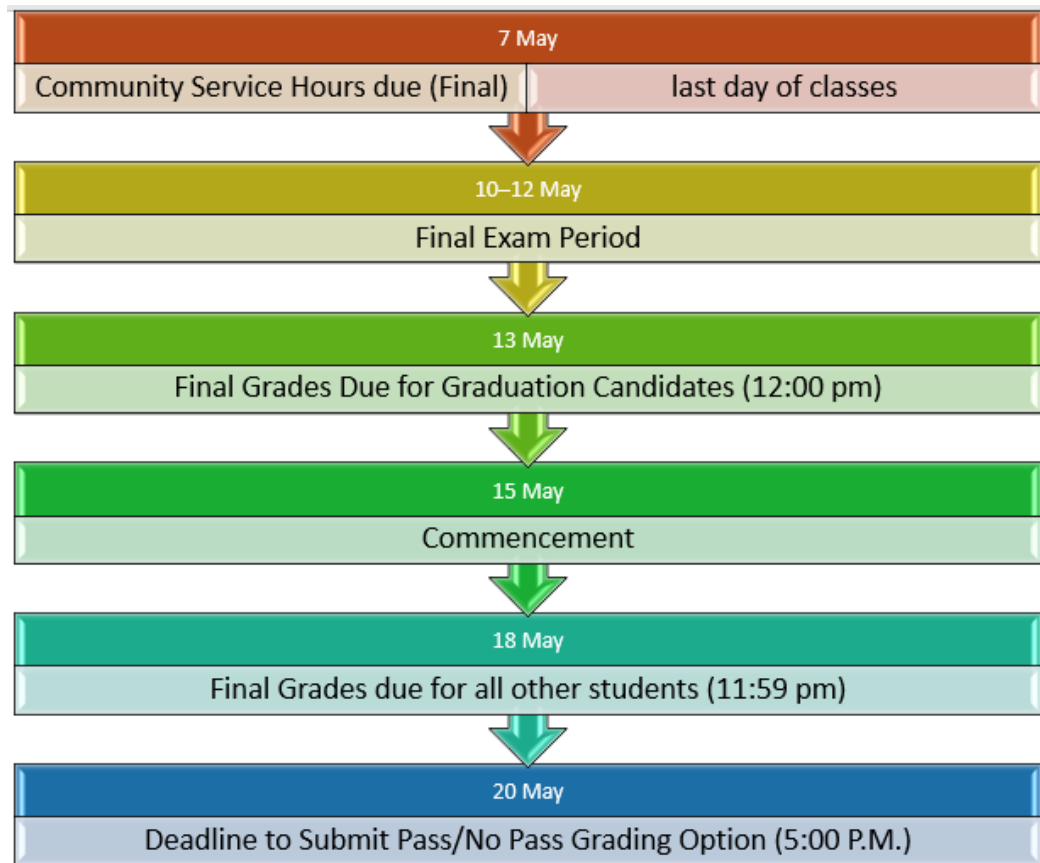


Kaylin Johnson, sophomore, aspires to become an Obstetrician. She will be completing a summer internship with the McGovern Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP).



Alexis Jackson, senior, aspires to become a pediatric dentist. She has accepted a Minority dental internship with University of Buffalo, NY, and will also be conducting research with Dr Sultana. Good Job!

UPCOMING EVENTS



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!!

May 1 st Miles Dubose	May 11 th Cindy Mora	May 12 th Favour Fadipe	June 6 th Erica Renfro	June 7 th Cale Watkins	June 11 th Genesis James
June 14 th Ayanna Montegut	June 18 th Anthony Curtis	June 28 th Zahria Spencer	July 1 st Taylore Baker	July 3 rd TaTierra Johnson	July 7 th Naiyah McDaniel
July 9 th A'ri Artis	July 10 th Jaylin Lewis	July 11 th Francesca Anderson	July 15 th Edom Kidane	July 25 th Ineceia Carter	July 29 th Kayla Filomeno

UMA STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Kennedy Steele
Biology Major
Chemistry Minor
Graduating Senior

My goal is to receive a master's degree and matriculate into medical school. Some of my accomplishments at PV include writing a research paper discussing African American women maternal mortality rates and postpartum depression due to health disparities. I presented a paper at the National Association of African American Studies and Affiliates (NAAAS). I was also able to conduct research work with Dr. Gimpel to compare studies demonstrating community interventions that can support the CCC program at the community level to promote self-monitoring BP and lifestyle modifications. I was able to present this research at a conference where I was awarded the "Audience Favorite Award." Another research project I participated in was at MD Anderson Cancer Center. I researched the severity of Xerostomia in patients who had head and neck cancer. I now am a published co-author of a paper: The impact of induction and/or concurrent chemo-radiotherapy on acute and late patient-reported symptoms in oropharyngeal cancer patients: Application of mixed-model analysis of a prospective observational cohort registry.

The UMA and PVAMU have given me the support and the extra push to keep going. The guidance and mentorship are truly invaluable. I am so happy that I chose PV and am excited to be able to give back. It has been a blessing to serve as the 2020-21 UMA president. This leadership role has strengthened my relationship with students and faculty. I loved being able to be in a position to be impactful and encouraging, especially during Covid-19.

My advice to others is to work hard, play hard, and stay consistent. Do not give up!

Sahar Fattani
Biology Major
Chemistry, Health, Psychology Minors
Graduating Senior

I have enjoyed my years at Prairie View A&M University. PV has provided innumerable opportunities to expand my scope of learning. Some of my accomplishments include becoming part of the Undergraduate Medical Academy, joining the Honors Program, studying abroad in China, working on research projects, and presenting at various conferences. Through the UMA, I receive mentorship and resources to help with classes, prepare for the MCAT, take summer classes, attend research conferences, and visit medical schools while being surrounded by like-minded students on similar pathways. I had the opportunity to give back by becoming the historian for two years. As the historian, I kept track of activities, academic accomplishments, and photographs of members and events. Through this, I was able to connect with the UMA scholars and staff. It was an honor to be the historian and become part of the UMA family. I would encourage everyone to take advantage of the resources offered and seek mentorship/networking opportunities; know your vision, goals, and your "why," and stay determined and persistent.



UMA ALUMNI CORNER

E.L. Domingo-Johnson II grew up in Cleveland, TX. He received his Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) from LoneStar Community College while working as a pharmacy technician. After graduating, he then worked as a nursing supervisor for an inpatient psychiatric hospital in Houston. At the same time, he attended Prairie View A&M University and was a proud member of the Undergraduate Medical Academy (UMA), Minority Association of Pre-Medical Students (MAPS), and completed the Johns Hopkins Summer Institute in Anatomy. He later received his Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from the University of Texas at Arlington. He attended Texas Tech University for medical school, where he served as a MAPS mentor, president of the Barbershop Blood Pressure Club, Class Fundraiser Chair, and a member of the Medical School Admissions Selection Committee; he also was inducted into the Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS). He completed a summer research fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) and published several peer-reviewed journal articles. He will be completing his residency training as an Orthopedic Surgeon at the University of Missouri Kansas City (UMKC). He enjoys playing sports, working out, fantasy football, volunteering with underserved local and global populations, and mentoring students at all levels.



***"It's not happening TO ME...
it's happening FOR ME"***

If that is your belief...

If that is your conviction...

No matter what happens,
you'll get through it.

It can't be just words.

You have to trust that.

You have to believe that.

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