



# Newsletter

Volume 4, Issue 2

## Congratulations to our 2022 Alumni!

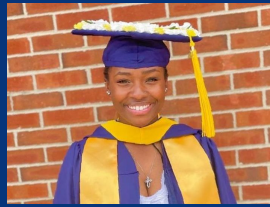
CONGRATULATIONS to our graduating seniors! Nine Williams-Franklin Foundation Scholars graduated during the 2021-2022 academic year. Our new alumni reigning from a variety of HBCUs have impressive and impactful plans following graduation. We are very proud of our Williams-Franklin Scholars and wish them the best of luck with their post-graduation endeavors.



**A'Maiya Allen**

Howard University, B.A. Strategic, Legal, and Management Communication with a concentration in Public Relations

A'Maiya is moving to New York City to pursue a full-time position in the National Football League Rotational Program.



**Christyn Carr**

North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University, B.S. Nursing

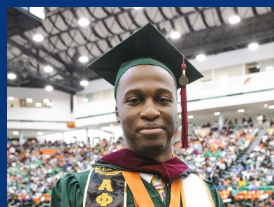
Christyn is returning home to play professional golf.



**D'Nai Thomas**

Howard University, B.S. Clinical Laboratory Science

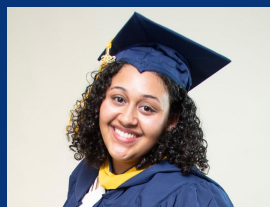
D'Nai is returning home for a gap year to take post-baccalaureate courses, gain clinical experience, and prepare for the 2023 physician assistant application cycle.



**Elijah Rutland**

Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University, B.S. Graphic Design

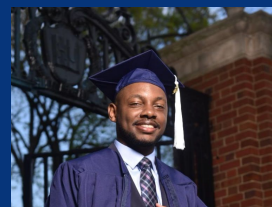
Elijah will intern with Disney TV Animation and continue growing his custom shoe design business, Fix My Sole.



**Gabriella Forchion**

Howard University, B.S. Biology

Gabriella is taking a gap year and plans to attend medical school in 2023.



**Jayden Rush**

Howard University, B.A. Strategic, Legal, and Management Communication with a concentration in Legal Communication

Jayden will be attending Columbia Law School in the fall.



**Kelsey Johnson**

Howard University, B.A. Strategic, Legal, and Management Communication with a concentration in Legal Communication

Kelsey will be attending Harvard Law School in the fall.



**Khyla Turner**

Hampton University, B.S. Kinesiology

Khyla will attend Virginia Commonwealth University to receive her Doctorate of Physical Therapy.



**Summer Williams**

North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University, B.S. Chemical Engineering

Summer will be participating in the three-year Energy Rotational Program at the Williams Energy headquarters in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

### **Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center (DF/HCC) Summer Internship**



In partnership with the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center (DF/HCC), the Williams-Franklin Foundation is sending three students to Boston, Massachusetts for the Continuing Umbrella of Research Experiences (CURE) Summer Program. The CURE Program introduces students to the world of cancer research by placing them in real research settings at local cancer

research institutions. Students will learn from experts who are devoted to preventing, treating and curing cancer, engage with academic coursework, and conduct clinical research. Congratulations to Wisdom Talley, Marleigh Ausbrooks, and Sage Petrus!

### **2022 Williams-Franklin Foundation Golf Tournament**



BY POPULAR DEMAND, the Williams-Franklin Foundation will host its 2nd Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser at Lakewood Country Club on Monday, June 20, 2022, to benefit HBCU scholarships and programming. Thank you to our 2022 Title Sponsor First Financial Group, Clay and Adrian Goldsborough for your supports and commitments. In July 2021, WFF hosted 140 golfers in its inaugural golf tournament for a day of competitive fun, while playing for a purpose! We greatly exceeded our fundraising goal of \$50,000 and with your support, will do it again this year. So, dust off your

clubs, gather your foursome and get ready to play! Following golf play, we will host a buffet lunch on the patio that overlooks the beautiful golf course. During lunch, we will announce awards and give prizes for:

1. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams
2. Women's and Men's Longest Drive
3. Women's and Men's Closest to the Pin

Register TODAY to play or sponsor, go to: <http://igfn.us/e/vWhT6Q>

### "Share the Love" Live Series

On Sunday, April 24, 2022, WFF continued our new "Share the Love" live series and hosted a dynamic conversation regarding "The Value and Resilience of HBCUs." Virgil Parker, WFF Alumni and graduate of Howard University, moderated the discussion with Dr. Dietra Trent, Executive Director of the White House Initiative on HBCUs, and Dr.



Christal Williams, Regional Minister/President of the Christian Church. The panelists spoke to the endurance of the HBCU community and the ability to persist in the face of adversity. They also provided tips and resources to stay mentally healthy and encourage fellowship. Watch the recorded live session [HERE](#).

Save the date for our next "Share the Love" live session on Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 5pm EST featuring two WFF Alumni and a current WFF Scholar!

### WFF Spring Gathering



In May, the WFF Board Members, Co-Founders, and 2022 Selection Committee met for an informal gathering to network and enjoy the warm spring weather. The Williams-Franklin Foundation is greatly appreciative of the Selection Committee, a group of twelve volunteers who review and score scholarship applications for the scholarship season. The Selection Committee's time and dedication is a significant contribution to our efforts to provide academic scholarships and make a difference in the lives of HBCU students.

4401 A Connecticut Ave. NW, PMB 301, Washington, DC 20008  
[info@wmsfranklinfoundation.org](mailto:info@wmsfranklinfoundation.org) • 202-352-4353

[www.wmsfranklinfoundation.org](http://www.wmsfranklinfoundation.org)



Williams-Franklin Foundation | 4401-A Connecticut Ave. NW, PMB 301, Washington, DC 20008

[Unsubscribe dfranklin@wmsfranklinfoundation.org](mailto:dfranklin@wmsfranklinfoundation.org)

[Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by [info@wmsfranklinfoundation.org](mailto:info@wmsfranklinfoundation.org) in collaboration with



Try email marketing for free today!