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Dear Successful Applicant,

Welcome to The University of the West Indies (UWI), Mona Campus! As a UWI student you are now a part of a rich Caribbean legacy. This is your place to shine as we not only provide for your academic needs but also your holistic development through sporting activities, performing arts activities, cultural events, clubs, societies and inter-hall competitions. There is much to be gained from the UWI experience as it presents you with the opportunity to make life-long friendships. With eighteen (18) Caribbean heads of state among our alumni, the friendships and connections made during your time here could prove to be very beneficial.

As we return to face-to-face teaching and learning here at The UWI Mona Campus, you will be able to enjoy and benefit from the services and facilities designed to meet your needs. These include:

- State of the art lecture theatres and computer labs;
- Access to highly qualified Faculty;
- Up-to-date library resources and electronic databases;
- Modern sporting facilities;
- A health center to aid in your physical and mental wellbeing;
- A students' union/center that has a restaurant, club, gymnasium, and

- supermarket, and which hosts many student parties and other social events;
- Socially active student clubs and societies where you can enjoy dancing, debating, sports and much more.

In addition, you will have great opportunities for your development as you progress in your studies at The UWI, Mona. One particularly exciting programme is the Welcome and Cultural Immersion Programme for our non-Jamaican students.

### **Orientation**

We look forward to welcoming you at our Special International and Regional Students Orientation Session scheduled to be held on August 23, 2022. The programme will focus on helping you to adjust to life in Jamaica as well as introducing you to The UWI systems and how to make the most of your time with us. If you will be joining us for the Special Orientation Programme please visit <https://www.mona.uwi.edu/iso/orientation-survey> and fill out our Orientation survey. You can also visit our website at <http://www.mona.uwi.edu/iso/> in August for the details of the Orientation Programme. We recommended that you also attend the General and Faculty Orientation Sessions. Visit <https://www.mona.uwi.edu/oss/orientation-0> for the full schedule of orientation activities.

### **Transportation**

If you will be traveling to Jamaica and you have been assigned on-campus housing, you are asked to forward your arrival information as soon as this is finalized so that arrangements can be made for you to be met at the airport. Please note that transportation is provided for first-year students only. Students should send their arrival information to the Lodgings Office at [uwilodgings@yahoo.com](mailto:uwilodgings@yahoo.com). Pick-up at the Norman Manley International Airport (NMIA) will be done Mondays to Fridays with a close-off time at 8:00 pm during the period of mid-August to the first week of September 2022. For students arriving on the weekend (Saturday and Sunday) you may make arrangements for transportation with the JUTA representatives at the airport. Students residing off-campus will also be required to make their own arrangements for transportation from the airport. Students are strongly encouraged to use the services of the Jamaica Union of Travelers Association (JUTA) located at the Norman Manley International Airport (NMIA). This is a safe means of transportation from the airport. The JUTA Company works closely with our Office of Student Services and Development and so they take very good care of our students. This service comes at an approximate cost of between US\$20 and US\$40 depending on the number of persons in your group.

### **Immigration**

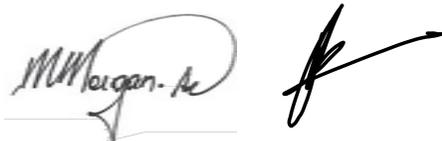
For students traveling to Jamaica, please note that all regional and international students admitted to The University of the West Indies, Mona Campus, are required to get an "Extension of Stay" visa after they have registered at The UWI. Attached for your information is the Immigration Fact Sheet which outlines the "Extension of Stay"

application process. The International Students Office team will help to guide you through this process. Additional information regarding this process will be provided during our orientation programme.

We are happy to help you and welcome communication from you at any time. Our office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m. We encourage you to visit our website at <https://www.mona.uwi.edu/iso/> for more information that you may find useful as you prepare to come to Jamaica.

We look forward to meeting you!

Yours sincerely,

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature on the left is more legible, appearing to read 'M. Morgan'. The second signature on the right is more stylized and abstract.

Marsha and Jamani