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### Welcoming Dr. Norma Pastor as Our New Campus President



We are thrilled to announce that Dr. Norma Pastor has joined Keiser University Miami as our new Campus President. Dr. Pastor brings a wealth of experience and a deep commitment to academic excellence that will undoubtedly enhance our campus community.

Dr. Pastor began her journey with Keiser University in 2015, joining the E-Campus team where she made significant strides as a Program Director and Associate Dean. Most recently, she served as the Dean of the E-Campus Latin division, where she was instrumental in upholding

rigorous academic standards while fostering a vibrant and supportive environment for faculty and students alike.

Before her tenure at Keiser University, Dr. Pastor served as a 1st Lieutenant Medical Anesthesiologist in the Dominican Republic Army, showcasing her dedication to service and leadership. Her academic journey is equally impressive, having earned her doctorate in Health Science from Keiser University.

As she steps into her new role as our Campus President, we look forward to the innovative ideas and compassionate leadership she will bring to our campus. Please join us in giving Dr. Pastor a warm welcome as she embarks on this exciting new chapter with us!



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# Keiser University Miami Celebrates Constitution Week!

Join us as we recognize Constitution Week from September 17-23 at Keiser University Miami! This week is dedicated to celebrating the signing of the U.S. Constitution and raising awareness of its significance in our nation's history.

We encourage all students to stop by the library each day to engage in a variety of fun and educational activities. Challenge your knowledge with crossword puzzles and word searches, explore our constitution booklets, and participate in a campus-wide scavenger hunt with exciting prizes. These activities are designed to enhance your understanding of the Constitution while providing an interactive and enjoyable experience.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to learn more about our nation's foundational document. See you at the library!

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#### Student Interviews with Library Director, Kelly Ribeiro

#### Student Interview with Rafael Pena

**Tell me a little bit about yourself...**I am a full-time student in the Radiologic Technology program. Previously, I was a district manager overseeing five stores in Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach County.

## What are some of your favorite hobbies? What do you do when you have free time?

I enjoy spending time with my loved ones and relaxing at the beach. In my spare time, I also lift weights and surf.

#### Can you tell me a little bit about your long term career goals?

My ultimate goal is to obtain certifications in CT and MRI. I plan to join an IVR or cath lab unit.



#### Why did you choose to join our Keiser University RT program?

I am interested in pursuing a career in the medical field as a radiologic technologist, to impact the community within a hospital setting positively. After thorough research, I have chosen to attend Keiser University due to its well-known student-centered approach to education, reputation for preparing students for success in board exams and careers, and the accelerated nature of the program.

#### Who have been your greatest supporters when it comes to your educational and career goals?

My mother and family have been my greatest support system on this journey, and without them, I'm confident that achieving my goals would not have been possible. Moreover, my instructors, including Professor DaCosta, Professor Cao, Professor Vianna, Professor Sloan, and Director Galvez, have been reliable mentors and consistent supporters throughout every phase of my journey.

#### What do you like about your instructors here at Keiser University?

What I appreciate most about my instructors is their genuine interest and dedication to my success. Their teaching style and overall approach support Keiser University's motto of student-centered education. Additionally, each instructor can simplify the course material so that it is easy to understand. Lastly, many of the professors were once Keiser University Radiologic Technology program students and can provide valuable guidance and feedback.

#### Do you have any advice for new students?

If you have dreams and goals, know you can achieve them. At Keiser University, your instructors will be with you every step of the way and genuinely care about your success. The level of education and preparation for your prospective career will be evident, setting you apart from others in your professional field. Developing strong study and note-taking habits is crucial. Relying on professors and utilizing available resources is vital to success.



Do you want to be featured in our interviews with the librarian? Contact Kelly in the library for further details. kribeiro@keiseruniversity.edu

Do you want to share your experience as a student at Keiser U Miami? Get featured on our social media platforms by providing your testimonial. Contact Carmen Perez Padron in Student Services for more details.



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#### Keiser University Miami Unveils New MILO Training System



Keiser University Miami is excited to announce the installation of the MILO (Multiple Interactive Learning Objectives) training system, a cutting-edge tool designed to enhance the training experience for our Criminal Justice students. MILO offers a dynamic, immersive environment that simulates real-life scenarios, allowing students to practice critical decision-making and

tactical skills in a safe and controlled setting.

This state-of-the-art system not only enriches the learning experience for our students but also serves as a valuable resource for our community partners in Law Enforcement. Local agencies can utilize MILO for continued professional development, ensuring their officers are prepared for the challenges they face in the field.

By integrating MILO into our curriculum, Keiser University Miami reaffirms its commitment to providing top-tier education and fostering strong relationships with the law enforcement community, ultimately contributing to a safer and more knowledgeable society.



#### Keiser University Miami Welcomes Statewide Mobile Simulation Lab for Immersive Training Experience



Keiser University Miami recently had the privilege of hosting the Keiser Statewide Mobile Simulation Lab on our campus for two weeks, offering an unparalleled learning experience for our nursing students. This state-of-the-art simulation bus is equipped with advanced medical training tools and realistic patient simulators, providing our students with a unique opportunity to practice critical skills and prepare for real-world hospital environments.

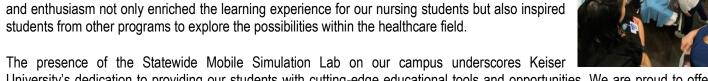
Throughout the two weeks, our nursing students engaged in a variety of case scenarios, ranging from routine procedures to high-pressure emergency situations. The hands-on experience allowed them to apply their classroom knowledge in a controlled, yet lifelike setting, enhancing their confidence and competence as future healthcare professionals.

The simulation lab's sophisticated technology, including advanced mannequins capable of mimicking real patient responses, enabled students to practice vital skills such as patient assessment, medication administration, and emergency intervention.

In addition to the nursing students, the Mobile Simulation Lab was open to students from all other programs, who were invited to tour

the bus and learn about the cutting-edge resources it offers. This cross-disciplinary exposure allowed students from various fields to gain insights into the complexities of healthcare, fostering a deeper appreciation for the challenges and responsibilities faced by medical professionals.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated nursing faculty who played a pivotal role in making this experience a success. Their commitment to guiding the daily tours and providing detailed information about the resources within the simulation lab was invaluable. Their expertise and enthusiasm not only enriched the learning experience for our nursing students but also inspired students from other programs to explore the possibilities within the healthcare field.



University's dedication to providing our students with cutting-edge educational tools and opportunities. We are proud to offer such innovative resources to prepare our students for their future careers, ensuring they are equipped with the skills and knowledge necessary to excel in their chosen fields.









Graduating soon and thinking about continuing your education?

Want to pursue a Bachelor's, Master's or Doctoral degree?

Contact our admissions team today to see what degree options are available and when the next term begins. Don't wait, get started today! Call 305-596-2226

#### Attention Students:

Student IDs are required to be worn at all times while on campus. If you do not have an ID, please contact the Student Services Department so that an ID can be provided to you. Simply send an email including your student number and a headshot of yourself to the emails below and once your ID is ready you will be contacted to pick it up on campus. Student Services below:



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**Major Day** takes place the 3rd Thursday of each term and involves faculty and students across all programs. The purpose of Major Day is to learn about and celebrate programs by providing new, engaging presentations, or learning activities each month in each academic program offered at KU Miami. Major Day is a great opportunity for students in general education courses to have a pathway for connecting with the program director, faculty and students of various academic programs. We strongly encourage students to attend Major Day and to participate in a different academic program session each month. This allows students to explore various educational pathways and make the career decision that is best for them.

#### **Need Health Insurance?**

You have options whether it's just for your clinical rotations (allied health programs) or in general.

Student Health Insurance have accident only coverage for those that are in allied health core classes where you are required to have some sort of health insurance coverage that will cover you while at your clinical rotations/externships. For more information, access information online at: <a href="http://www.insuranceforstudents.com">http://www.insuranceforstudents.com</a>. KU is listed under the college/university plans.

#### Referral Services

2-1-1 Referral Information 2-1-1 provides free and confidential information and referral.

Call 2-1-1 for help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling and more, 2-1-1 can be found online at www.211.org

# How will you Customize your KU License Plate?



One of the exciting ways you can both demonstrate your KU pride while helping future KU students is to purchase a special Keiser University license plate.

#### No more trips to the DMV!

We are excited to share that now, through a partnership with the Indian River Tax Collector's Office, KU plates may be purchased for any county in Florida by mail!

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