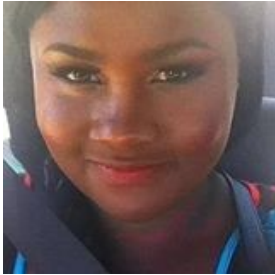




## **Gia Jones, Oakwood University- c/o 2016, Biology**



**Name :** Gia Jones  
**Your HBCU :** Oakwood University  
**Graduation Year :** 2016  
**Major :** Biology

### **1. Where are you from? Who introduced you to HBCUs?\***

I am from Huntsville, AL but, currently live in Madison, AL. I joined Oakwood University church during the 40th anniversary of Breath of Life ministries. I received baptism on November 8, 2014 Sabbath. After joining , I decided to transfer to Oakwood to finish my education at a Christian institution. It is a great school for anyone!



Gia Jones of Oakwood University, Class of 2018

### **2. Why did you choose an HBCU over a pwi?\***

It was more convenient for me and closer to home. I just think it has more to offer for minorities not just African Americans. I do want to attend Loma Linda university Medical school after graduation.



**3. What is the story of your "experience" at Your HBCU given its heralded status as a stellar and prestigious institution?\***

My OU experience is enduring in the Christian background it gives to the public. I enjoy the family type of environment that welcomes everyone together.

**4. "First time" experiences at your HBCU?\***

N/A

**5. Who are the professors that have impacted your life in and out of the classroom? How did they do that?\***

This is my first semester as a transfer student and only met two professors. But, I have encountered that they have patience, sincerity, and confidence in their students.

**6. College crush?**

I have a crush on one of the Oakwood University financial vice usm officers. But, ahhh.....he doesn't know it. (Laughs)