



Kayla Love, Langston University- c/o 2013, Chemistry



Name : Kayla Love

Your HBCU : Langston University

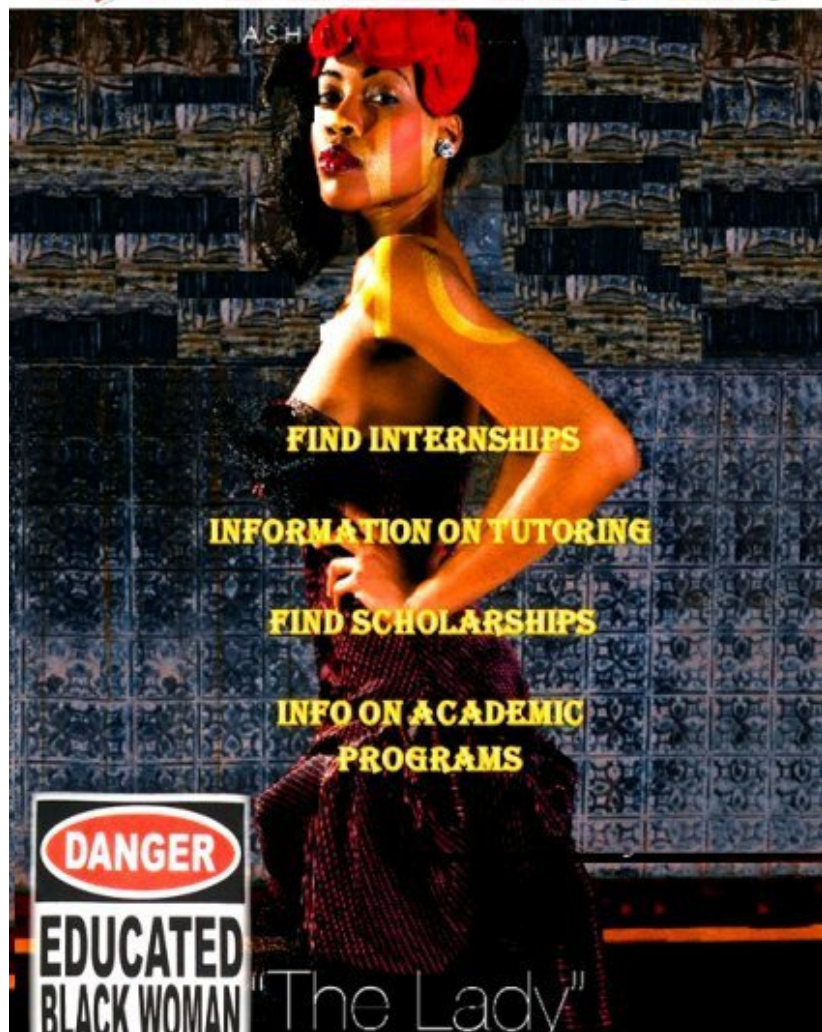
Graduation Year : 2013

Major : Chemistry

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

I am originally from Oakland California. A city plagued with gun violence, drugs, and prostitution. But even with that, Oakland is filled with passionate people who are active in improving the community.

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

Whether it was a historically black college (HBCU) or a predominately white institution (pwi) I wanted to go somewhere that I would be taken care of. Langston University's Department of Chemistry is a strong supporter of students who wish to exceed at the highest magnitude within the STEM fields. I've participated in internships at pwi's and I often was the only student that was conducting research all year long and required to compete with my research at national levels. Transferring never even crossed my mind. Langston University (LU) was the place for me.

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

Before coming to Langston I set a goal that I will find every scholarship, program and any form of financial assistance there was to help me get through college. I did just that and found a job at Langston's Department of Chemistry.

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?*

Dr. Matand, Dr.Coleman, Ms. Williams, and Dr. Lewis each impacted my life.I used to think that their expectations were too high and that they were inconsiderate of my academic obligations. They ultimately taught me that college is about learning to balance it all. The pressure is what made me work harder than I ever could of imagined.

6. Best restaurants on/near campus? Best dishes?

WOW's was the best restaurant it was a good place to run into friends and I enjoyed their chicken tenders when I was on the go.

7. College crush?

Ha! I'll keep that to myself. He knows who he is. He is from Houston and will soon become a pilot.