



International Student Spotlight

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Dadrian Fenton-Haynes

A Journey Rooted in Faith, Strength, and the Sunlit Shores of Westmoreland Jamaica.



There is a quiet strength that rises from the western tip of Jamaica — from the parish of Westmoreland, where the turquoise waters kiss the white sands of Negril's Seven Mile Beach, where the cliffs of Rick's Café echo with laughter and courage, and where sunsets paint the sky in gold. It is from this breathtaking corner of the island that **Dadrian Fenton-Haynes** began her journey — a journey shaped by resilience, faith, and purpose.

Growing up in a parish known for its beauty, warmth, and vibrant culture, Dadrian carried with her the spirit of Westmoreland: calm like the Caribbean Sea, determined like the divers who leap fearlessly from Negril's cliffs, and radiant like the sunsets that bless her homeland each evening. That same spirit has guided her through every chapter of her life.

For thirteen years, she has shared her life with her husband, and together they are raising a son who is both her joy and her motivation. Before coming to Canada, Dadrian built an impressive professional foundation — ten years in Customer Relations at the Jamaica Public Service, followed by two and a half years in Investment Banking. Her academic journey began at Northern Caribbean University, the only Seventh-day Adventist university in Jamaica, where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in 2010.

But her story did not end there. It was her deep belief in Christian education that led her to Burman University. Though she had been accepted to two other Canadian universities, something about Burman's commitment to faith-based learning resonated with her spirit. She chose Burman because it aligned with her values — a decision she describes as clear, easy, and divinely guided.

At Burman, Dadrian began in the Diploma in Business Management program but soon transitioned into the Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration. She has balanced her studies

with her role as a Student Library Assistant, contributing to campus life with grace and dedication.

And now, a milestone worth celebrating: **Dadrian completed her final exam on Monday** and is now wrapping up her last pieces of coursework. This moment marks the closing of one chapter and the blazing beginning of another. We are incredibly proud of her — proud of her perseverance, her discipline, her faith, and the example she sets for students who look up to her.

Her future is bright — blazing, even — like the Jamaican sun rising over the cliffs of Westmoreland.

Dadrian's immediate goal is to secure a role in Administration or Finance, fields that align with her passion and long-term vision. But her heart remains tied to home. Within the next five years, she hopes to return to Jamaica to help manage and expand her family business, using the knowledge and experience gained at Burman to uplift her community.

Her contribution to the world goes beyond career aspirations. Dadrian sees her purpose as living out her faith — supporting, encouraging, and empowering those around her. She strives to ensure that her work honors God and serves a purpose greater than herself.

Guiding her through every challenge is her life verse, Jeremiah 29:11:
“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord.”

This promise has carried her through moments of exhaustion, doubt, and pressure. It reminds her that her journey is intentional, her steps are ordered, and her future is secure in God's hands.

Today, we celebrate Dadrian — her journey, her achievements, her faith, and her unstoppable future. We look forward to seeing the incredible things she will accomplish, both here and back home in Jamaica. Her story is one of courage, purpose, and divine direction.

And truly, **her future is blazing.**