

Biography of Devan Michael Vilfrard
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Devan M. Vilfrard is a student of service from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, who looks to make positive changes that will impact today's generation and the generations yet to come. Devan serves as the State President of The NAACP Florida State Conference of Branches Youth & College Division, Chapter President of the Florida A&M University Chapter of the NAACP, and the Associate Chief Justice of the Florida A&M University Student Government Association.

He will earn a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science with a Concentration in Pre-Law upon his graduation in April 2022. Prior to being elected as the Florida Youth & College President and his appointment to Associate Chief Justice, Devan began his second tenure as Chapter President of The Florida A&M University Chapter of the NAACP, where he also holds a life membership. Devan has also served six years in the United States Army under the Florida Army National Guard. In addition, Devan has gained a wealth of experience from internships that include Ben Crump Law, the Akbar Law Firm, Pittman Law Group, and three consecutive legislative internships within the Florida Legislature.

Devan is an inaugural fellow of The Memorial Foundation's Social Justice Fellows Program, which develops young adult leaders to make change through the leadership values and spirit of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Devan is also a member of the inaugural class of AT&T's Dream In Black HBCU Rising Future Makers which highlights HBCU students innovating, influencing, driving culture, and creating change.

Devan's ultimate academic goals are to attend Howard University to earn a Master's Degree in African American History and a Juris Doctorate from Yale School of Law. Devan also aspires to serve the citizens of Florida as a criminal defense attorney and politician to help his fellow Floridians in low-income and minority communities fight for their freedoms and advocate for themselves through legislative action.