

# Biography **VENUS WARDLOW**

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Venus Wardlow is a 25 year old African American female that goes the limit to work hard and do better in life. From an early age she always felt that education is the key to a better life. She found her balance in studying and extracurricular activities very early at Lewis University. Venus kept her grades above a 3.0 staying on the Dean's List throughout her college career while managing a part time job off campus, a part time job on campus, continuously applying for and receiving scholarships, and a plethora of on campus activities, as well as enjoying her time in college. Venus' true passion for justice was centralized when she joined the Lewis University Mock Trial Team, where she traveled all over the United States competing in a courtroom-like setting, and winning competitions. Her interaction with this organization changed the direction of her studies and her future career. Venus' leadership continued to shine on campus and this caught the attention of the President of the University where she was asked to sit on the Presidential Student Advisory Council to voice the opinions and concerns of her peers. During all of this she was also the chapter president of the Mu Theta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Where her chapter won Best Social Organization of the Year at Lewis University, Chapter of the Year on a regional level, among other awards for specific programming and received seed grants for funding! While in college, Venus was also a mentor every summer with rising sophomores in the Link Unlimited Scholarship Program.

Venus graduated from Lewis University in December 2010 with a Bachelors of Art in Criminal Social Justice with a minor in Philosophy of Law. A month before graduating, Venus was blessed with a job with the Department of Homeland Security where everyday she ensures the traveling safety of the traveling public. She's also currently the assistant coach for the St. Joseph Dance Team, where they recently won first place in the Delta's Best Dance Crew Competition.

Venus is a member of Miracle Revival Cathedral C.O.G.I.C located at 2010 St. Charles Rd in Maywood, IL. She's an active member of the Glen Ellyn Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. And Venus recently applied and will begin her Master's of Art program this summer at Dominican University in Conflict Resolution.

