

THE SEARCH IS ON

Candidates for presidency revealed to UT community



The presidential candidates include (left to right) Michele Wheatly, Sharon Gaber and Christopher Howard. They were revealed by the University of Toledo Jan. 22.

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The search for the University of Toledo's new president was narrowed down Jan. 22 to three candidates, two Caucasian women and an African-American man.

UT has had only one president before who was not a white male. Vikram Kapoor — the 14th president — came to the U.S. from India in 1969, according to nanovk.com.

Whoever is picked will be a landmark in UT's history as either the university's first female or African-American president.

The three candidates — Michele Wheatly, Sharon Gaber and Christopher Howard — were selected from a list of 29 applicants. Several of the 4 women and 25 men who applied had prior connections to UT, including Interim President Nagi Naganathan.

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Find out more information about each candidate's qualifications, experiences and background.

What do students want from the next president?

By **Emily Johnson and Samantha Rhodes**
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The question is simple: What are you looking for in the new president? We interviewed numerous University of Toledo students and this is what they had to say:

Student-centeredness

President of Campus Activities and Planning (CAP) Andrew Kurtz said he thinks student-centeredness is a must-have trait of the next president, something he feels was not a priority for the last president, Lloyd Jacobs.

"I think that our previous president, not Nagi, but our previous full-term president [Jacobs] had his strengths, but relating to the student body wasn't one of them," Kurtz said.

According to Spectrum President LaVelle Ridley, there is no way to tell how a presidential candidate will

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