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## Candace Moonansingh

Candace Moonansingh is a recent graduate of the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine where she completed a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics in 2012 and a Master of Science degree in Statistics in 2015. Miss Moonansingh is aspiring to pursue a PhD in Statistics where her research will be concentrated on Stochastic Processes and its application to the field of Electrical Engineering. Candace has a passion for lecturing and in the past has tutored and instructed at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine campus.

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