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Keiser University Students Victorious in *The Tech Factor* IT Competition
Two students win \$1000 cash prize and the distinction of “Most Knowledgeable IT Experts”

Margate, FL—June 20— Last night, Keiser University students defeated students from five other Florida universities in *The Tech Factor*, a live game show presented by MyTechNow, a division of Saveology, to determine the school with the most knowledgeable student IT experts.

The Tech Factor challenges top IT students from area A+ certified colleges to answer questions about complex digital networks. Working in teams of two, the students responded quickly and effectively to the difficult questions posed by a panel of information technology experts.

In the competition against Atlantic Technical Center, ITT Tech, Florida Atlantic University, Florida International University and Nova Southeastern University, the talented Keiser University team of JP Sanchez and Ricardo Velasquez emerged the winners thanks to their comprehensive technical skills, education, and experience.

“I am so proud of the Keiser University Team for preparing thoroughly and giving their utmost to achieve this accomplishment,” said Robert Frank, Associate Dean of IT at Keiser University. “Our thanks to MyTechNow and Saveology for hosting *The Tech Factor* and providing students this unique experience. At Keiser University we had an extremely high number of students who were qualified to participate.”

Frank also commented, “I believe we earned this victory because our IT students, just like all of the students at Keiser, earn career-specific skills and they have a desire to succeed which will lead them to future success in their professional lives. This attests to how competitive the curriculum is here at Keiser, and I think we proved it.”



Keiser University Information Technology students Ricardo Velasquez (L) and JP Sanchez (second from left) accept check for prevailing in *The Tech Factor* competition hosted by Saveology

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About: Keiser University (KU) serves nearly 18,000 students pursuing doctoral through associate degrees on 15 campuses, employing nearly 3,500 staff and faculty. The university has been regionally accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools since 1991 and is a Level VI institution.

Sixty-two percent of KU students graduate in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and healthcare fields, providing the talented workforce necessary for Florida to compete globally. The University ranks 1st in Florida and 2nd in the nation in production of Associate of Science graduates in healthcare professions and 2nd in Florida and 3rd in the nation in production of Associate of Science in nursing graduates*.

Keiser University's educational reach extends globally through its international programs, including the Latin Division, a cooperative agreement in the Eastern European nation of Moldova, and a campus in Shanghai, China.

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