

HOW CEND EMPOWERS STUDENTS



"I feel like me working in this lab right now really makes me feel like I belong in this field. As a student-athlete, it sometimes feels like we're not enough. Science is a very, very hard field, and when I'm in the lab and I do my thing and I do it well, it makes me feel like I can do this. I'm worthy to be here and I belong here – which is really something that pulls me through the majority of the busy days. It's a really strong sense of belonging."

– Evelien Lutje Schipolt, CEND Undergraduate Intern, Class of '23, Cal Basketball

"CEND workshop is one of the annual most awaited occasions and life time opportunities at Makerere University. I have so far attended two summer workshops in person and the recently concluded virtual one and have completed 4 courses in Grant writing, Epidemiology, Bioentrepreneurship, and Scientific Diplomacy which have continuously equipped me with knowledge and skills."

– Joy Mirembe, Alliance Workshop Participant and final year medical student pursuing a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree at Makerere University



CEND Undergraduate Drug Discovery Bootcamp

"I hoped to learn about where to start with Drug Discovery, career options and techniques" said one of the participants, "I feel I did learn these things. It was a really interesting and enjoyable experience, very accessible."

"This program was probably the most fun I've had all year. I especially like the opportunity of hands-on coding experience." said another.



With more than 90% of participants highly satisfied with the course, the Drug Discovery Center hopes to make the workshop an annual event and give students the skills to translate their basic research findings into new ways to treat disease.



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