## **SUMAILA HAIRAT**



My name is Sumaila Hairat. As a recent graduate of University for Development Studies (UDS), Tamale in the northern region of Ghana, I am taking a moment to express my deepest gratitude to Educational Pathways International (EPI) for the unwavering support and generosity throughout my university journey. Educational Pathways International (EPI) unwavering commitment to fostering education and investing in students like myself has made an indelible impact on my academic and personal growth.

The financial assistance and encouragement extended to me played a pivotal role in my academic journey. EPI not only alleviated the financial burden but also served as an incredible source of motivation and inspiration. It allowed me to concentrate wholeheartedly on my studies,

enabling me to excel academically and participate in various extracurricular activities that have enriched my university experience. I was also able to support my siblings in school which makes me feel much fulfilled.

Thanks to EPI's support, I graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biotechnology and Molecular Biology. The knowledge and skills I gained during my time at University for Development Studies has equipped me with a solid foundation for me to start a career in the Food Industry. I am thrilled to share that I have secured a position as a Quality Assurance Officer at Pure and Just Company Limited for my National Service. I am eager to embark on this journey and contribute my best to the field of Food Biotechnology leveraging the expertise and values instilled in me during my university years.

Beyond my professional aspirations, EPI's generosity has ignited within me a profound sense of responsibility towards my community. I am committed to giving back and making a positive impact on society. In line with this commitment, I plan to create a platform that provides mentorship to students and also help them secure scholarships.

I wholeheartedly believe that EPI's investment in my education will continue to yield dividends not just for me but for my community at large. EPI's belief in my potential has inspired me to strive for excellence and has reinforced my determination to make a difference.

Once again, I extend my sincerest gratitude for EPI's invaluable support. I am deeply honoured and privileged to have been a recipient of the Educational Pathways International (EPI) Scholarship. Your generosity has been a beacon of hope and has paved the way for my success.