

## DR. AWAL M. MUSHIN



Making a positive difference in my community by being a catalyst for change has been my lifelong dream and Educational Pathways International (EPI) provided me the opportunity to make this dream a reality. My name is Awal Mohammed Muhsin, a Doctor of Medical Laboratory Science and a graduate from the University for Development Studies (Ghana). Being part of the Educational Pathways International family has shaped my life and has been a major contributing factor to the person I am today.

It will be an understatement to even begin to describe the impact of Educational Pathways International in my academic and personal life. I can only try. Before this scholarship, I was living off campus and this had a negative bearing on my academic performance. I moved onto campus after

gaining the scholarship and my academic performance took a major high. I was adjudged the scientist of the year in my department for my class.

I was also appointed as the Secretary of the Electoral Commission in my department and later the Chairperson of the said commission. With the keen interest in helping others, I aided in the organization of a Hepatitis screening exercise for the inmates at the Tamale Prisons, Ghana.

The seminars organized by Educational Pathways International on career guidance, public speaking, student entrepreneurship just to mention a few helped me develop my personal and business life. Through these seminars, I was able to network socially with a lot of people which gave me insights into their ideas and helped me grow as a person. My presentation skills also improved and I am now able to do public speaking. A seminar on student entrepreneurship gave me the confidence to start my own business by selling African Fabrics and shirts on campus which is still thriving even after my graduation. All of these would not have been possible without Educational Pathways International giving me the platform, confidence and support to engage myself in these activities which has contributed positively in my life and those around me.

It is a great source of happiness and satisfaction to me to be able to assist and make meaningful and positive changes in the lives of people. I decided to pursue a career in Medical

Laboratory Science because it gives me the opportunity to help improve the health conditions of individuals, families and communities by enabling them make better health and lifestyle decisions. I intend to practice in the laboratory space which will aid me to research on Hepatitis B, a main health concern in my community. For a developing country like Ghana, a major means of development will be through the human resource. I live in Choggu Yapalsi community in Ghana where I know I can help develop by providing life changing initiatives. I shall like to enable provide tuition and guidance to the younger generation by forming a network of role models who will have a positive impact on everyone and giving the next generation a better chance of finding their own success.

I am grateful and privileged to be part of the Educational Pathways International family which did not only help me to complete my studies but also gave me the space to become a better person fit for any society in the world. Through the generosity and assistance provided by Educational Pathways international family, individuals like myself who are constantly battling for the right to receive better education and become best versions of themselves have the platform to become successful and serve as catalysts for positive change in our communities, Ghana and the whole world at large.

Thank you.