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Erasmus Mundus Scholarship Testimony

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Chifundo Mchowa

PhD Candidate and Researcher



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The beginning...

2018-2020

Rejections letters

- Forms part of my journey..lots of lessons, shaped me to be resilient and not give up

2021-2023

Erasmus Mundus Scholar - GLODEP

- Predeparture event at EU Malawi in Lilongwe
- First semester at Palacky University Olomouc-Czech Republic



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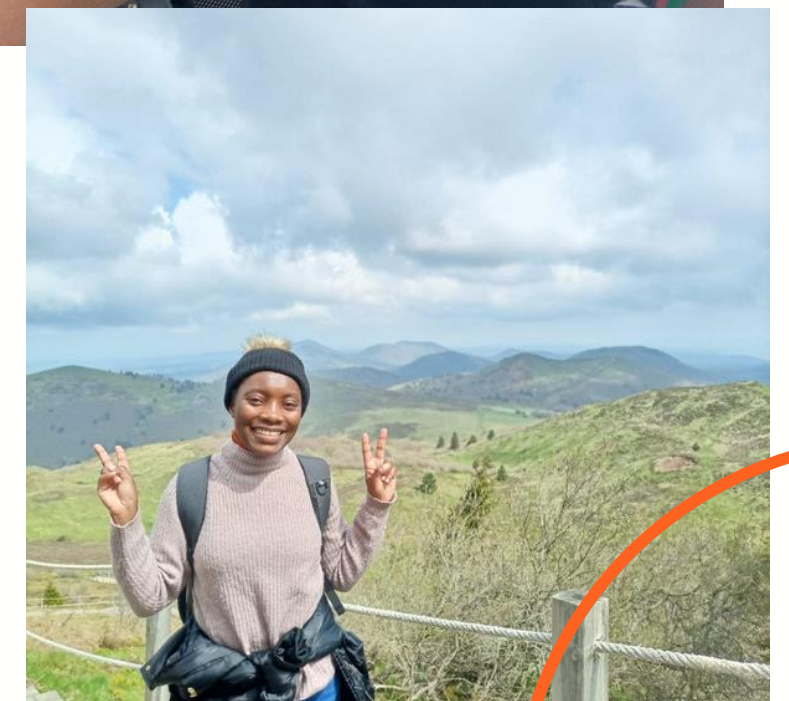
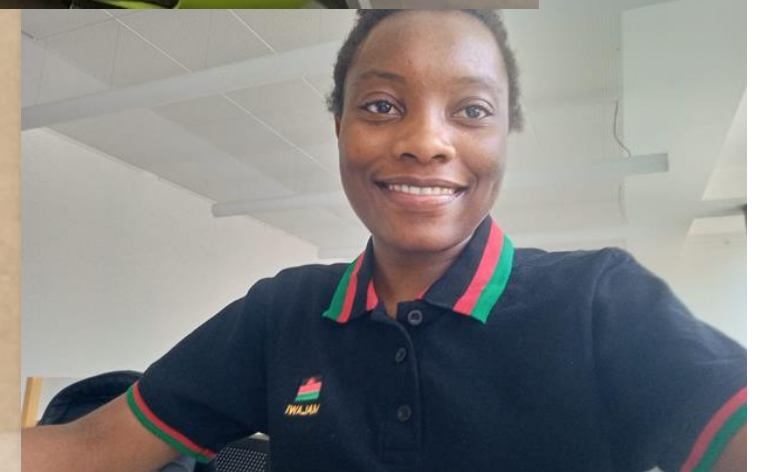
The Journey

University of Clermont Auvergne-France

- *Second Semester*

University of Pavia- Italy

- *Third Semester*



Uganda field trip

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Student Challenge-Project
AgriSCALE an Erasmus+
Programme - Innovative
learning and co-creation of
teaching methodology for
scaling entrepreneurship in food
and agribusiness in sub-saharan
africa .

Research stay - Casablanca, Morocco

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Thesis writing at LASSARE,
Hassan II University-
Academic partner of
GLODEP program

Professional connections

Challenges..

- Language
- Weather
- COVID-19
- Bureaucratic processes
- Home sick
- Adjusting to a new academic system almost every semester

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Triumphs..

- Merit Scholarship award by Palacky University Olomouc
- Passing state exam
- Defending masters thesis
- Graduating with honors (Distinction)

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Current Stage..

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