

MO SCHOLAR'S SPHERE

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Mo Scholars Tour: Empowering Futures Across Tanzania!

From Mbeya to Zanzibar, our recent Career Tour brought together exceptional scholars from Dodoma, Morogoro, and Dar es Salaam for a transformative experience. Through workshops on Digital Literacy and Career Mapping, scholars gained practical skills to navigate the digital world and set realistic, achievable career goals that align with their aspirations.

Beyond the learning, the enthusiasm and determination of the scholars made this tour unforgettable. Their drive to grow, connect, and take charge of their futures was truly inspiring. Stay tuned for more stories of impact and opportunity from our incredible Mo Scholars community!

Special Congratulations !

We extend our sincere congratulations to **Patricia Henry Laurich** for her impressive achievements. As a Bachelor in Medicine student, Patricia has demonstrated a strong commitment to her personal and professional growth. Her **First Aid certification** is particularly noteworthy, showcasing her readiness to act in emergency situations—an essential skill for any future medical professional.

Additionally, her participation in the Mo Scholar's Career Tour Workshop, where she developed skills in career mapping, digital literacy, and cybersecurity, further highlights her dedication to learning and growth. Patricia's enthusiasm, leadership, and commitment to the medical field are truly inspiring—well done!



Timothy Jeremiah : The Trailblazer You Need to Know!

What happens when you mix intelligence, leadership, and an unstoppable drive to make a difference? You get Timothy Jeremiah Mbagu—a second-year Bachelor of Pharmacy student at MUHAS who's proving that university life is about more than just books and exams. From winning debate championships to mentoring students and leading game-changing initiatives, Timothy is setting the bar high for what it means to be a student leader!

Thinking Fast, Speaking Smart! Timothy didn't just join the **2025 European Union Debate Contest**—he **DOMINATED** it! As part of Team Red, he battled some of the best debaters, took home first place, and even bagged the title of **Best Male Debater**. Oh, and he placed fourth overall. No big deal, right? His journey sharpened his skills in critical thinking, teamwork, and public speaking. Now, he's paying it forward by mentoring future debaters through **TAPSA** and **Rotaract** Muhimbili. Talk about a mic-drop moment!



Giving Back—Because Success Means Lifting Others! Timothy believes in paying it forward. He returned to his former school, Charambe Secondary, to mentor students on scholarship applications and even stepped in to teach physics and chemistry. Seriously, is there anything he can't do? Beyond academics, he joined a community outreach project in Morocco, rolling up his sleeves for an environmental cleanup campaign. His takeaway? Change starts with awareness and collective action!



Timothy isn't stopping anytime soon. He's leading the Baby Mama Initiative, which aims to improve maternal and child healthcare in Tanzania. Through education and advocacy, he hopes to reduce neonatal mortality rates and support expectant mothers. His vision? **A future where students have equal access to education, communities thrive, and every initiative sparks long-lasting change.**

Timothy is just getting started, and trust us—you'll want to keep an eye on his journey.



Matheo Kusula : From Engineer to Changemaker

Meet Matheo P. Kusula, a passionate change-maker and 2023 graduate of **Oil and Gas Engineering** from the **Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT)**. But Matheo is not your typical engineer—his greatest work is not only in energy, but in empowering lives.

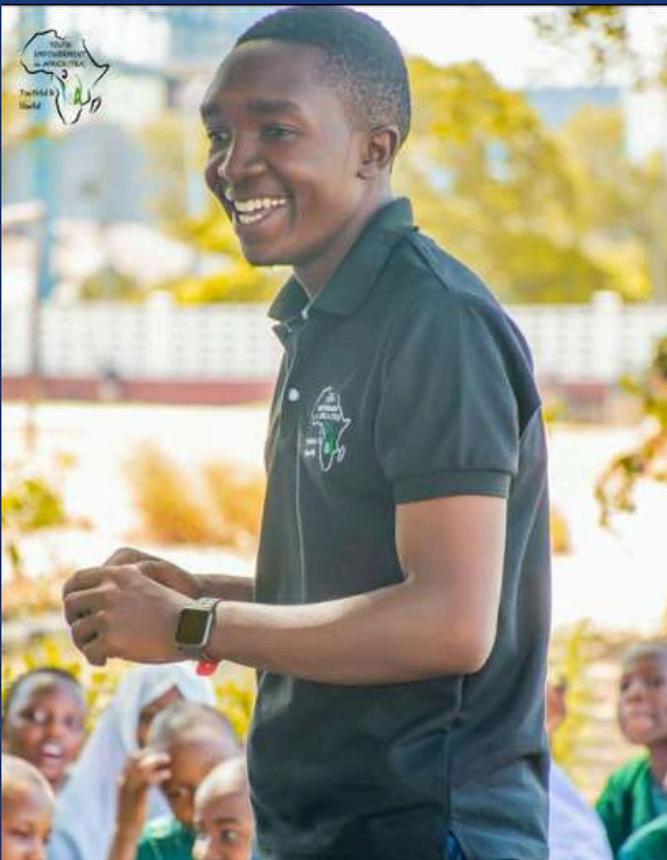
While still pursuing his degree, Matheo saw a critical need: young people with big dreams but limited means. In 2019, he launched a grassroots initiative called **The Freedom Group**, focused on supporting youth economically, academically, and emotionally. Though the group faced challenges and didn't fully take off, Matheo's vision never faded.

In 2022, his path aligned with two like-minded friends who were also dedicated to community work. Together, they co-founded **Youth Empowerment in Africa (YEA)**—a registered NGO that has become a beacon of hope for many young Tanzanians.

Through YEA, Matheo has helped impact the lives of over **500 youth** through direct mentorship, organized more than **30 volunteers**, and reached over **1,500 young people** online with training and empowerment programs. His work is not just about support—it's about transformation.

“Co-founding YEA has given me the platform to do what I'm most passionate about—uplifting others. Every young person we reach is a new opportunity to reshape a future and ignite lasting change.” says Matheo.

YEA's mission is bold and clear: To equip young people with the skills, resources, and opportunities they need to build a brighter future for themselves and their communities. From addressing unemployment and gender inequality to bridging the digital divide, YEA is leading the charge for sustainable change across Africa.



Nurturing Change Through Nutrition: Yassir Rashid's Millennium Fellowship Journey

In 2024, Yassir Said Rashid, a compassionate and forward-thinking medical student at **Zanzibar State University (SUZA)**, was selected as a **Millennium Fellow**—a prestigious global initiative by the **United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI)** and **Millennium Campus Network (MCN)**. This opportunity brought together passionate young leaders from around the world to tackle real-world challenges through community-driven projects aligned with the **UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.

With a deep understanding of how poor nutrition weakens recovery, Yassir launched **Medical Nutritional Support**, a project aimed at fighting malnutrition in underserved communities. Focused on children and pregnant women, the initiative offered nutritional counseling and raised awareness about the critical link between diet and healing. Despite challenges—limited resources and skepticism from the community—Yassir and his team pressed on with unwavering determination, forming local partnerships and using data to advocate for change.

Through this journey, Yassir didn't just create impact—he grew into a stronger leader. He honed his public speaking, strategic thinking, and teamwork skills while managing the demands of medical school.

“The Millennium Fellowship isn't just a program—it's a platform that turns passion into action. If you're serious about making a difference, this is the place to start.”

Yassir Said



His story is a powerful reminder that meaningful change doesn't require perfect conditions—it requires vision, empathy, and the courage to take the first step. What started as a simple idea to address malnutrition has grown into a mission that touches lives, challenges norms, and sparks hope in communities that need it most.

Yassir is not just studying medicine—**he's living his purpose**. As he continues his journey, he carries with him a bold commitment to improving healthcare and nutrition in Tanzania and beyond.

His story is far from over, and the impact he's building is only just beginning.



FUELING DREAMS, FORGING FUTURES

As we reflect on the remarkable journeys of **Yassir, Matheo, Timothy, Patricia**, and the scholars who joined our **Career Tour**, one thing is clear—**Mo Scholars are not just preparing for the future, they're actively shaping it.**

From Yassir's community health impact, Matheo's grassroots leadership, and Patricia's dedication to medicine, to Timothy's bold voice in debate and service, and the Career Tour cohort's hunger to grow—the drive, purpose, and passion of these young leaders is undeniable. Each one is living proof that when you combine opportunity with vision, incredible things happen.

The future isn't just bright—it's already unfolding through the bold steps of Mo Scholars. Stay with us. This movement is only just getting better.



Want to Share Your Journey?

Share your story with us at moscholars@modewjfoundation.org and inspire others! You might be featured in our next newsletter!