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COLLEGE NEWS

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE & SCHOLARSHIP



Mbiko

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Social Research and Public Policy

New York University Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

The American International School of Lusaka was invited to nominate a student who exemplified scholarship, character, leadership, and commitment to service to apply to New York University Abu Dhabi.

Demonstrating these traits, Mbiko was nominated in December and, after consideration of her application essays, recommendations, SAT scores, transcript, IB Diploma predicted grades, and commitment to community service, leadership, and extra-curricular activities, Mbiko was flown by NYUAD to Abu Dhabi on February 7th to take part in the university's 'Candidate Weekend'.

The weekend was fully funded by NYUAD and involved interviews, attending model classes, public speaking activities, and cultural events. Just one week after the candidate weekend Mbiko learnt that she has been accepted to attend New York University Abu Dhabi with a full-ride scholarship.

The renewable scholarship includes all tuition fees, housing and meal costs, materials and books, spending money, and a flight back to Zambia each semester. It will also cover special programs such as studying abroad at NYU's other campuses and partner universities. Mbiko will join AISL alumnus, Charles, who is now a junior at NYUAD after winning the same merit- and need- based scholarship.

Mbiko will major in Social Research and Public Policy, as she aspires to make changes in the health sector of Zambia upon completing her studies. Designing and evaluating policy depends on social science theory and research. Social Research and Public Policy offers rigorous training in both, with courses in economics, political science, sociology, and anthropology, as well as courses in quantitative and qualitative research methods, which will enable students to critically evaluate research findings and produce original research. Social Research and Public Policy is attractive to students, like Mbiko, who are concerned with the major social problems of our times such as international migration, unequal economic development, poverty, racism and sexism, inequality, ethnic conflict, as well as health inequality and population dynamics.

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