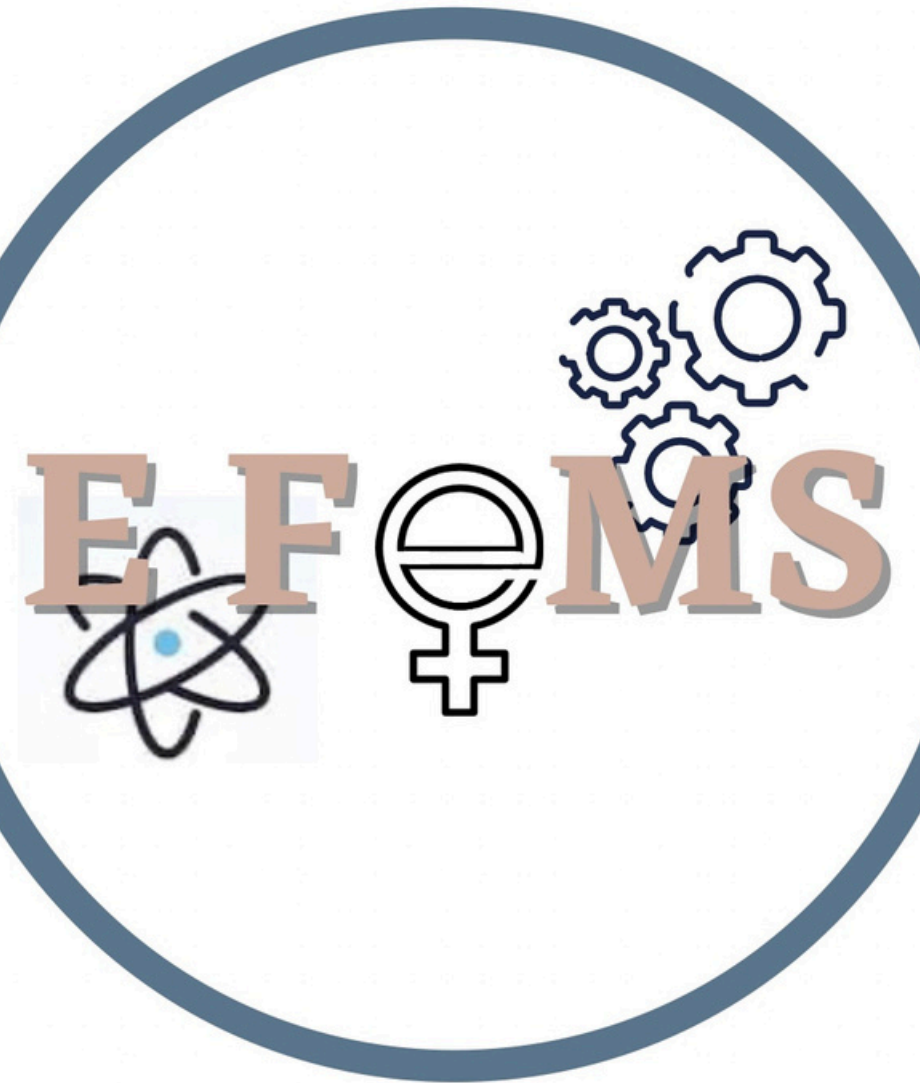




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ABOUT FEMS BOOTCAMP

Description

FeMS Bootcamp is EFeMS' annual professional development event to fulfill its mission to promote leadership amongst African women in STEM. This year, the program took place in Accra, Ghana from September 26-28, 2024.



It is a platform crafted to equip African women in STEM with useful skills and expertise to excel in their careers and in STEM higher education.

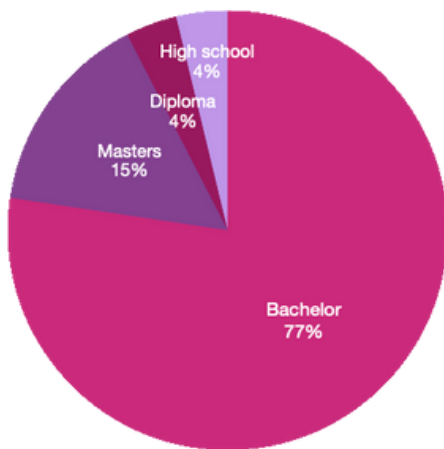
This 3-day program is created by African women for African women and is comprised of interactive sessions with leaders in STEM, skill-building workshops, and career advancement opportunities.

To attend the program, applicants had to fulfill basic requirements and possess the willingness and desire to advance in STEM. This year, 50 participants registered and attended the bootcamp.

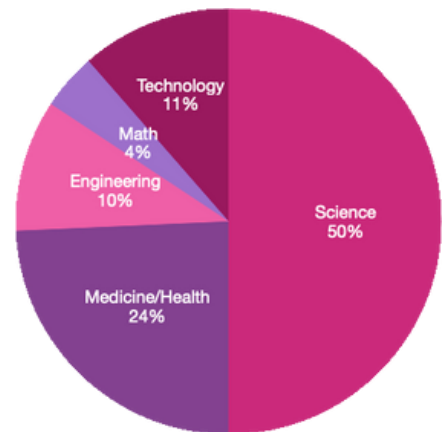
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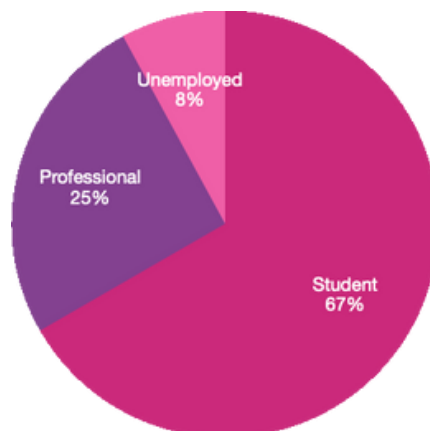
Level of study



Field of study



Occupation



PROGRAM DETAILS

WORKSHOPS

- 6 different professional development skills learned with interactive activities
 - Building your network
 - Competency in building confidence
 - Using Video in Science Communication
 - Career Options in STEM
 - Applying to Graduate School
 - Post-PhD Work Landscape

STUDENT RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

- Student presenters with research topics covering microbiology, biochemistry, chemistry, and mathematics

CAREER PANEL

- Participation of three different professionals from the following companies/institutions
 - RISA
 - Digital Opportunity Trust
 - University of Kent



WORKSHOPS AND TALKS OFFERED

1. KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Emmanuella Amoako - Pediatric Oncologist

2. BUILDING YOUR NETWORK

Workshop hosted by Dr. Angela Tabiri (Mathematician)

3. COMPETENCY IN BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Workshop hosted by Reka Tokes and Nupur Khandelwal (SheRocks!)

4. VIDEO IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

Workshop hosted by Dr. Jennifer Leigh, Dr. Panagiota Axelithioti, Emma Fitzgerald (University of Kent)

5. CAREER OPTIONS IN STEM

Workshop hosted by Prof. Lydia Mosi (Professor, WACCBIP)

6. APPLYING TO GRADUATE SCHOOL

Workshop hosted by Ananya Dash (Project SHORT)

7. POST-PHD WORK LANDSCAPE

Workshop hosted by Dr. Jennifer Leigh, Dr. Panagiota Axelithioti, Emma Fitzgerald (University of Kent)

8. CAREER PANEL

Panelists: Farida Bedwei, Gameli Adzaho, Dr. Panagiota Axelithioti

100%

*Of participants were satisfied
with their experience at FeMS
Bootcamp*

70%

*Of participants found
workshops offered very relevant
to their career*

TESTIMONIALS FROM BOOTCAMP PARTICIPANTS

"I used to refer to myself as a shy person. Attending the FeMS bootcamp made me realize that was just a way of me convincing myself that no one has the time for me. Now, I believe in myself and I have the confidence to approach people. I also have the knowledge needed to become the woman I envision myself to be and I can't wait to meet that woman!"

--Mercilyn Tetteh

"Participating in the FeMS Bootcamp has not only built my confidence in public speaking, I have learned to love myself more, appreciate the little wins and connect to the right people that will draw me closer to my goals."

-- Amanda Tetteh

"Attending this year's Empowering Female Minds in STEM boot camp 2024 was a transformative and life-changing experience for me. I was surrounded by passionate individuals who inspired me to delve deeper into my passion and empowered me to always believe in myself and never relent to pursue the best at all cost despite the challenge I might face. The EFeMS boot camp 2024 boosted my confidence, and networking opportunities opened doors I never imagined."

-- Adama Mendy

"This is hands down one of the very best bootcamp I've ever attended. Everyone was so welcoming even though we had yet to converse with each other. FeMS speakers spoke to my soul about confidence and network building, which has changed my thinking and approach about life . I'm glad I attended and I'd definitely be attending future Bootcamp of FeMS."

-- Alberta Nunya Wekpa

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