

150 students successfully complete the Ready to Work Skills programme

The first cohort of 150 students in the Ready to Work Skills programme have graduated in a ceremony held at the College of Biological and Physical Sciences (CBPS) on September 11, 2017.

Ready to Work Skills, an online course training students on work, people, money and entrepreneurial skills, is a partnership project of Barclays Bank and University of Nairobi's Computing for Development Lab (C4DLab) that aims to prepare students and graduates for skills required at work.

The programme developed by Barclays Bank and implemented by C4DLab sets to address the skill gap prior to employment experience.

Speaking during the graduation ceremony, Barclays Bank's Ms. Antoninah Moturi, said that the Ready to Work programmes aims at making young people prosper in the skills learned.

"The world has become competitive and you have to create a niche for yourself by gaining people, entrepreneurial, money and work skills," emphasized the Principal of the College of Biological and Physical Sciences, Prof. Bernard Aduda.

The Principal advised the graduates to actualize what they have learnt so as to cease any self-employment opportunity whenever it presents itself.

Graduates were challenged to seek innovation to solve societal problems especially with a focus on the Sustainable Development Goals.

Director of C4DLab, Dr. Tonny Omwansa, acknowledged the importance and value of using electronic means as the current method of offering services, a move which is valued at the University.

Other than University of Nairobi students, students and graduates from local universities including KCA University, Multimedia University of Kenya, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology and Maseno University also participated in the four-module online course and graduated.

You can apply for the free online Ready to Work course here: <https://readytowork.barclays/home>