

UJ To Cambridge: CAN-bridge

Hi everyone,



My name is Cassi-Lee Gewer and I am a 3<sup>rd</sup> year student at the University of Johannesburg who is currently studying on a full scholarship at the University of Cambridge. You will find me wondering the streets of this beautiful city between my summer science lectures, and further enriching myself with the abundance of academic history that lives in these halls. My days in Cambridge begin with my first lecture at 9am and end with my last lecture at 9pm – it is a whirlwind of phrases such as “this scientific phenomenon was discovered roughly 3km from this venue” and “we have this exact fossil in the museum down the street”. From Isaac Newton’s apple tree to

the mathematic bridge – Cambridge truly is a scientist’s paradise and for myself, an academic’s dream.

As a proud South African woman who is an aspiring neuroscientist, my lectures here revolve around genetics, neurobiology, Autism and evolutionary science. These are then accompanied with plenary lectures that range from quantum technologies and physics, to tribology and Leonardo da Vinci. I am blessed to be representing my home institution of UJ and can happily state that after continuously embracing UJ’s academic teaching, I feel comfortable sitting amongst some of the brightest minds of our day.

I am learning something new with each passing moment, and trying as much as possible to allow those back home to live it with me. Join me on this journey by following my Facebook page ‘Cassi Neuro’.

See you soon, UJ – even at Cambridge your spirit is missed.

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