

2017 BHEARD Scholar Priscilla Obeng-Boateng

Profile **Country of Study:** Ghana University: **KNUST** Agriculture **Department: Student Position:** Graduate Research Assistant Home Country: Agogo, Ashanti Region, Ghana Home Institution: **Department of Agriculture Home Position:** Post Harvest Officer **Mentored By:** Maalekuu Kissinger

Research Area: Seed Systems

BHEARD PROGRAM START DATE: August 2017

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION: B.Sc. Post Harvest Technology, KNUST

RESEARCH INTERESTS: Priscilla's research will focus on improving seed systems in Ghana by assessing the adoption and marketability of new drought tolerant maize varieties. This research will identify ways of increasing adoption so that the full benefits of the investment put into the research and the introduction of the varieties will be derived.

PERSONAL STATEMENT: Priscilla would like to start a vibrant seed business that will distribute reliable high quality seeds. She would also like to conduct research into improving the packaging of local economically viable seeds.

WHEN I AM NOT WORKING I ENJOY: Priscilla enjoys listening to music, reading and cooking.