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UCT hosts groundbreaking hackathon to solve pressing health challenges

11–12 April 2025 | 08:30–17:00 | UCT Neuroscience Institute | [RSVP](#)

The University of Cape Town (UCT) – in collaboration with Harvard’s Health Systems Innovation Lab (HSIL), the UCT Surgical Society, and Global Surgery – will host a groundbreaking hackathon to develop AI-driven solutions to improve healthcare systems worldwide.

The high-profile event aims to bring medical students, engineers, programmers, designers and business professionals together for two days of intensive innovation. With participation open to individuals from all disciplines, it seeks to harness the power of interdisciplinary problem-solving to address some of the most pressing challenges in global surgery and healthcare access.

UCT Vice-Chancellor Professor Mosa Moshabela, will deliver the keynote address on the second day.

The event will begin with addresses from international experts, followed by team formation and project development. On the second day, teams will present their solutions to a local judging panel, with the winning team advancing to a global competition to showcase their innovation to a Harvard-led international panel.

- [Read more about the event.](#)

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