

## The Gambia and Senegal Study Abroad Itinerary

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Please note, itinerary is tentative and subject to change at any time

Classes at Newnham Campus will begin in winter 2020. The below itinerary represents the Senegambia portion of the course that runs from April 18, 2020 to May 2, 2020

Day 1	Arrival in Dakar Senegal. Airport pick up and travel by bus to Banjul, The Gambia. Lunch and refreshment to be included in package.
Day 2	Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel. Why are we here information session. Mapping out the task ahead of us. Acclimatizing and lunch?  Dinner and light entertainment at Wild Monkey Restaurant or Down Town Café Bar and Restaurant.
Day 3	<b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 9:30 a.m. by bus from the hotel to the University of the Gambia for Orientation and welcoming ceremony. Students meet their Gambian counterparts and faculty to talk about their individual research projects and interest. Courtesy call to the mayor of Kanifing Municipal Council.  <b><u>P.M.</u></b> Lunch noon to 1 p.m. Educational visit to Kachikally Crocodile pool in Bakau to learn about local conservation efforts, protection of local wildlife and environmental sustainability. Local guiding services provided with entrance fees. Tie-dye and Batik session with students to produce local fabrics in different colors of their choice, explanation on techniques and designs. Students will learn about the local fabric industry, the role it plays in the local economy and globalization.
Day 4	<b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel, departure to Banjul National Museum and visit Banjul city to meeting Banjul Mayor. Lectures on the history of the trans Africa slave trade in the Gambia.  <b><u>P.M.</u></b> City tour around Banjul and return back to the hotel. Slave trade. City tour and visit to craft markets to explore the connection between globalization and its impact on the local craft industry. A visit to the mayor of Banjul at 2 p.m. Back to the hotel for 6 p.m., debriefing session on the day's site visit and activities, dinner and light entertainment at the hotel at 7:30 p.m.
Day 5	<b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 7 and 8 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 8:30 a.m. by bus to the ferry terminal in Banjul for an all-day Roots Excursion trip to Juffereh and Albreda. Students meet with the Village Chiefs of both places to learn about the history and impact on the area of the forced migration of many of their people through the Atlantic Slave Trade, and also you will meet the claimed clan family of Alex Haley (the

	<p>author of the novel, Roots) to help further the students' research exploration into the connection between global migration, Africa and its diaspora.</p> <p><b><u>P.M.</u></b> Boat trip to UNESCO archaeological site at Kunteh Kinteh Island for lunch, a history lesson on the point of departure for many forced to migrate through the Atlantic Slave Trade. Back to the ferry terminal for the trip back to Banjul. Arrival time 6 p.m. at the hotel. Daily debriefing on the day's events, dinner and light entertainment at the hotel at 7:30 p.m. (meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner), and an evening Kankurang Dance with the famous Bora Taal of Juffureh.</p>
Day 6	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the Albreda Camp, departure time 9:30 a.m. by bus from the Camp to Barra ferry terminal and return to Banjul, and then to hotel.</p> <p><b><u>P.M.</u></b> Free evening and dinner at Down Town Café Bar and Restaurant.</p>
Day 7	<p><b><u>A.M. / P.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m., Army Truck Safari to Southern Kombo to visit Tanji Fishing site, Tanji Meseum, the sand mosque at Gunjur, snake farm at Kartong and Gambia = Senegal border at Kartong. Boat trip at Stala Kartong, lunch at Stala.</p>
Day 8	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 9:30 a.m. by bus from the hotel to nature forest trek to Makasutu cultural forest to spend some time with bands of vegetarian monkeys and baboons, and Abuko Nature Reserve. Learn about environmental sustainability, attitudes towards wildlife and the effects of poaching.</p> <p><b><u>P.M.</u></b> Lunch and few students/Seneca officials/lecturers will attend a radio talk show at West Coast Radio. Sharing experiences with Gambians about their visit, and possibly call-in from listeners to ask questions and or comments. Back to the hotel for the evening debriefing, dinner and light entertainment. (Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner). Back to the hotel at 6 p.m.</p>
Day 9	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 9:30 a.m. a visit to women's garden in Gunjur, Kartong in Southern Kombo to conduct interviews and discussion with local women about gender issues, social justice and sustainable development, globalization and migration. Learn the local languages. Lunch and cultural entertainment.</p> <p><b><u>P.M.</u></b> Back to the hotel for the rest of the day. Students have free time to rest and get prepared for our symposium and closing ceremonies the next day. Meals included: breakfast and lunch).</p>

Day 10	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 9:30 a.m. to the University of the Gambia for our final symposium and closing ceremonies.</p> <p><b><u>P.M.</u></b> Lunch and back to the hotel for the rest of the day. Students have a free day to engage in their own activities and shopping, and also to prepare for our departure from the Gambia the next day back to Senegal. Dinner not provided. (Meals included: breakfast and lunch).</p>
Day 11	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 7 and 7:30 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 8 a.m. by bus to the ferry terminal in Banjul for our trip back to Senegal estimated to be about four to five hours.</p> <p><b><u>P.M.</u></b> Arrival, orientation and welcome at our hotel in Dakar Senegal. Students have some free time to explore the city with a tour guide (student of University Dakar).</p>
Day 12	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 9:30 a.m. to Chiek Anta Diop University for lectures on Slavery and African Diaspora in preparation for our visit to Goree Island. We will also go on to site visits to African museum of civilization, Communities at the Crossroads: Diamniadio and Sebikotane, a visit to Shrine of the Black Madonna, Popenguine National Seashore and Somone Lagoon National Park.</p> <p><b><u>P.M.</u></b> Back to the hotel in the evening for debriefing and discussion about our next day trip to Goree Island. (Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner).</p>
Day 13	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> History, Heritage and Healing: Goree Island, Slavery and the African Diaspora.</p> <p>Breakfast between 8 and 9 a.m. at the hotel, departure time 9:30 a.m. by bus to Gorée Island, a UNESCO world heritage site, to do further research on the Atlantic Slave Trade. Gorée Island was at the center of the rivalry between European nations for control of the slave trade since the trade's inception in the 15th century. Trip will take entire day. Back to our hotel in the evening for dinner and daily debriefing. (Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner).</p>
Day 14	<p><b><u>A.M.</u></b> Cheik Anta Diop University, West African Research Center, Senghor Museum Presidential Palace, National Assembly, African Renaissance Monument, Chez Alpha Books, Africulturban   Maison des Cultures Urbaines, Mosque of the Divinity, Ville de Artistes. All-day trip. Back to our hotel in the evening for dinner and daily debriefing. (Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner).</p>
Day 15	Departure from Dakar Senegal, and back to Canada. Meals are not provided.