

Do you want a travel bursary to go to an African village on an educational exchange this February?

[Our Global School](#) (OGS) is a charity supporting exchanges between UK and African education settings. We help people to share skills and knowledge across the North South divide as they pursue a personal, academic or professional project in the setting of a welcoming community.

Traveling to experience Africa first hand brings a beneficial widening of horizons - but for many people the cost of airfares rules it out. Donors of OGS have kindly financed one travel bursary to a fascinating rural community in The Gambia where we have been active for 10 years.

The bursary will pay for the travel of one UK-resident person in a group scheduled to visit Mbollet-Ba village in The Gambia from 14 to 25 February 2019. This organised event is the fifth edition of a well-established format in which students at UK universities and schools join teachers and professionals to work on personal projects or research in small teams with Gambian colleagues. Previous participants have focussed on areas such as IT, horticulture, building, microfinance, health, education, arts and more. A Mbollet-Ba experience involves collaboration to understand issues and create solutions, but what you focus on is up to you.

Details of the upcoming trip are [described in full here on the Our Global School website](#). The successful applicant will contribute only your community hosting and feeding costs (£20/day) plus expenses (if any) of your project or research. We also need you to take out insurance and to pay for any medicines or vaccinations you decide to take (none are essential). The bursary covers your travel from Gatwick to Mbollet-Ba and back.

Who will we choose and how?

The Trustees of Our Global School will award the bursary to the best application received by midnight on 14th January 2019 at team@ourglobalschool.org. To apply, send us an email of 400 words explaining why you'd like this opportunity, and how it relates to what you normally do. Tell us your ideas and any interests you'd like to follow while in Mbollet-Ba. You can also add a CV.

We are open to approaches from all people and we're looking for applicants who can show how a perspective from rural Africa will be relevant to their UK professional or personal goals. You might be a student, a trainee, a professional, or just simply curious. We'll help you to approach your school/employer for permission. Three things we do insist on about you:

- Not able to afford such an experience right now without the bursary
- Available for travel between 14 and 25 February
- Hold a valid passport from an EU country and currently residing in the UK

If we like the application, we'll contact you. We'll ask for a reference. We'll get your ticket. Done.

Travel Scholarship to Mbollet-Ba The Gambia
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