

AKD Workshop on Teaching and Learning at Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting – 2017

Globalizing the Classroom: Examples from a Fulbright in Senegal

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Discussion Points:

1. Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad – Short Term Research/Study Opportunity
2. Seminar to Senegal in May-June 2016 – Religion and Diversity in West Africa (Senegal)
3. Subtopics in Introductory Sociology Courses Conducive to Seminar Focus
 - Culture
 - Socialization
 - Global Stratification
 - Marriage and Family
 - Religion
 - Education
4. Primary Goal – Help to Address the Knowledge Gap on Africa by Integrating Aspects of Senegalese Culture into Introductory Sociology Courses
5. Methods for Integrating Seminar to Senegal Materials into Classroom
 - Pre-Semester Assessment on Knowledge of Senegal
 - Geography – How Large is Africa? Locating Senegal on the Map
 - The Danger of a Single Story – TED Talk by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
 - Lecture and Demonstration of Material and Non-Material Culture Using Artifacts from Senegal (Culture)
 - Language in Senegal – Elementary Wolof (Culture)
 - Historical Connections – West Africa and the United States – Goree Island, Senegal (Global Stratification)
 - Essay Questions on Unit Exams (Culture)
 - Response Paper Assignment – Planning a Trip to West Africa (Culture, Socialization, Global Stratification, Marriage and Family, Religion, Education)
 - Global Pen Pal Project – Comparing and Contrasting Family Life across Cultures (Culture, Socialization, Global Stratification, Marriage and Family, Religion, and Education)
 - Post-Semester Assessment on Knowledge of Senegal
6. Resources
 - Curriculum Project on Integrating Senegal into Sociology Curriculum:
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 - Resources on Africa for Use in Classrooms:
Boston University Pardee School of Global Studies, African Studies Center, Teaching Africa Outreach Program - <http://www.bu.edu/africa/outreach/>
 - Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad:
<https://www2.ed.gov/programs/iegpssap/index.html>
7. Questions/Comments/Discussion