

Towson University
Community Development and Non-Profit Management in The Gambia
Minimester 2026
(subject to change)

Saturday, January 3	AT219 departs Washington Dulles International (IAD) at 8:45 pm
Sunday, January 4	AT219 arrives Casablanca Mohammed V International (CMN) Terminal 2 at 9:50 am AT579 departs Casablanca Mohammed V International (CMN) Terminal 1 at 10:45 pm
Monday, January 5	AT579 arrives Banjul International (BJL) 1:25 am Airport transfer by private bus to Starfish International Check into the dormitories and get some sleep Meet the RA's Group welcome breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Health, safety, and cultural orientation by Starfish staff Courtesy calls to relevant stakeholders in the community Market visit Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Journaling Group dinner at Starfish restaurant Overnight at Starfish International
Tuesday, January 6	Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Walk through the communities including the Starfish campus and land tour Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Team building exercise in Starfish main hall Class [Drs. Sillah and Worgs] Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Journaling Overnight at Starfish International
Wednesday, January 7	Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Meet with Starfish Project Leads to get community project assignments Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Class [Drs. Worgs and Sillah] Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Journaling Overnight at Starfish International
Thursday, January 8	Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Free morning Visit the craft market to engage with Gambian artists, weavers, and sculptors Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Group meeting [Drs. Worgs and Sillah] Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria Journaling Overnight at Starfish International

Friday, January 9	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Visit with community stakeholder [SEEDS/Farabasutu Community Garden]</p> <p>Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Class [Dr. Worgs and Sillah]</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>
Saturday, January 10	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Work on projects with Project Leads</p> <p>Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Naming ceremony to welcome students and faculty into the Gambian culture</p> <p>Starfish Farm - campfire session with storytelling, language exchange, and performing arts</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>
Sunday, January 11	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Visit to TANGO – The Association of Nongovernmental Organizations</p> <p>Visit to Kachikally Crocodile Pool and Community Museum</p> <p>Class [Dr. Worgs and Sillah]</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>
Monday, January 12	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Bus to Banjul and take the ferry to James Island “Kunta Kinteh Island” and Fort Bullen (box lunch included)</p> <p>Group meeting [Dr. Worgs and Sillah]</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>
Tuesday, January 13	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Work on projects with Project Leads</p> <p>Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Free afternoon</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>
Wednesday, January 14	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>A Day in the Life of a Starfish Student - spend the day with a student</p> <p>Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>

Thursday, January 15	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Visit to the University of The Gambia – tour and meet with local students</p> <p>Guest lecture: Topic TBD</p> <p>Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Visit the Starfish International chapter in Lamin</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>
Friday, January 16	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Complete projects and make presentations to Starfish</p> <p>Group lunch at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Class [Dr. Worgs and Sillah]</p> <p>Group dinner at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Overnight at Starfish International</p>
Saturday, January 17	<p>Breakfast at the Starfish restaurant/cafeteria</p> <p>Free day at the beach and a boat ride to Lamin ecolodge</p> <p>Journaling</p> <p>Farewell group dinner at a local restaurant</p> <p>Transfer to the airport by private bus late evening</p>
Sunday, January 18	<p>AT578 departs Banjul International (BJL) 2:30 am</p> <p>AT578 arrives Casablanca Mohammed V International (CMN) Terminal 2 at 6:50 am</p> <p>AT218 departs Casablanca Mohammed V International (CMN) Terminal 1 at 4:25 pm</p> <p>AT218 arrives Washington Dulles International (IAD) at 6:45 pm</p>