

## **RAKHWE KAMA—**

### **A Brave Young Chinese Dream Pursuer**

Rakhwe Kama is a master's student from the School of the Environment and Safety Engineering, Jiangsu University, enrolled in the fall of 2017. As early as February 2017, he came to China from Senegal and soon fell in love with China, a beautiful and friendly country. In just a few weeks, he made many Chinese friends. Kama loves Chinese people and always affectionately calls his Chinese friends by their Chinese names.





When he was pursuing his bachelor's degree in Senegal, he won a scholarship for his excellent performance. After coming to China, he supported himself with the savings from scholarship. With the sincere encouragement and warm help of Chinese friends, Kama came to Jiangsu University to continue his master's degree in Environmental Science and Engineering, and was awarded university scholarship. Kama maintained an intimate relationship with his academic supervisor, also a good friend who is meticulous in all aspects. Kama likes Chinese language and culture very much. During his study at Jiangsu University, Kama learned more about Chinese history, appreciated more Chinese culture and customs, and fully integrated himself into the big family of Jiangsu University. He always wants to know more about China and seizes various opportunities to communicate and study with Chinese friends. His efforts were paid off.

Gradually, he was able to communicate fluently in Chinese and won award Chinese language completions.



Kama officially began to study for a master's degree in October 2017. In the first year, he focused on the course study. After that, Kama read many research papers and summarized scientific problems. Every week, he would discuss about a paper with his supervisor and make a report of literature review in their laboratory at the end of each month, in order to improve his academic skills.



In the following year, he started the experiment. During the summer vacation, he began to learn experimental skills with Dr. Qaisir, a postdoctoral in his laboratory. Kama's research mainly focuses on alien plant invasion and allelopathy, which is a rare ecological phenomenon. Kama did not think he was an outsider in the lab, because all Chinese students are very friendly to him. They get along as happily as friends or

even family.



In addition to his study, Kama also helped with some voluntary work. He told himself to be grateful, so he always tried his best to complete the task. Being appointed as a class teacher, Kama took care of more than 50 international students. He tried his best to encourage international students to participate in academic activities and establish a good relationship with Chinese students. With seriousness and sincerity, he won the respect of many teachers and students.



Kama not only roams in the sea of science, but also grows up in voluntary work. In China, he made best friends, and also deepened his understanding of China. He really enjoys every minute here. In his eyes, China's landscape, culture and people are the most beautiful!