



# Kimberly Fuqua

Gilman International Scholarship Alumni Ambassador

United Kingdom, 2018

*"My study abroad experience allowed me to meet one of the most important people in the world – me!"*

Kimberly left rural North Carolina to study in the United Kingdom as a Gilman Scholar. While abroad she took classes ranging from globalization to linguistics at Canterbury Christ Church University in Kent. Kimberly considers herself fortunate to have made life-long friends from all corners of the world while also teaching others about her Native American tribe, the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina.

Living and studying in the United Kingdom allowed Kimberly to explore her interest in social policy in the education sector. She will pursue a master's degree in public administration at Cornell University in the fall of 2019 and she attributes much of her success to her experience as a Gilman Scholar.

- ★ Studied special education/sociology at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke
- ★ Increased cultural diversity awareness by sharing Native American culture
- ★ Gained experience in special education needs/services throughout Europe
- ★ Studied educational and social policy abroad
- ★ Promoted study abroad opportunities with students at UNC Pembroke and with the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina



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