



# EXPEDITION: INTRO TO DEVELOPMENT

**“Another world is not only possible, she is on her way. On a quiet day, I can hear her breathing.” – Arundhati Roy**

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**Better Lives mission is to help children grow up healthy, educated, and trained to earn an income. We collaborate with families that share this mission to find solutions that are holistic and sustainable.**

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## Overview

Students learn and practice principles of community development. Learning is grounded in Better Lives' flexible framework and hands-on service takes place shoulder-to-shoulder with community members.

## Service Work

6 days service with Wamukisa Support Organization

## Cultural Exchange

Peer-to-peer conversations with host community  
Traditional arts lessons with local practitioners

## Development Education

Learn about Better Lives' development framework  
Site visits and discussions about community projects

## Discovery

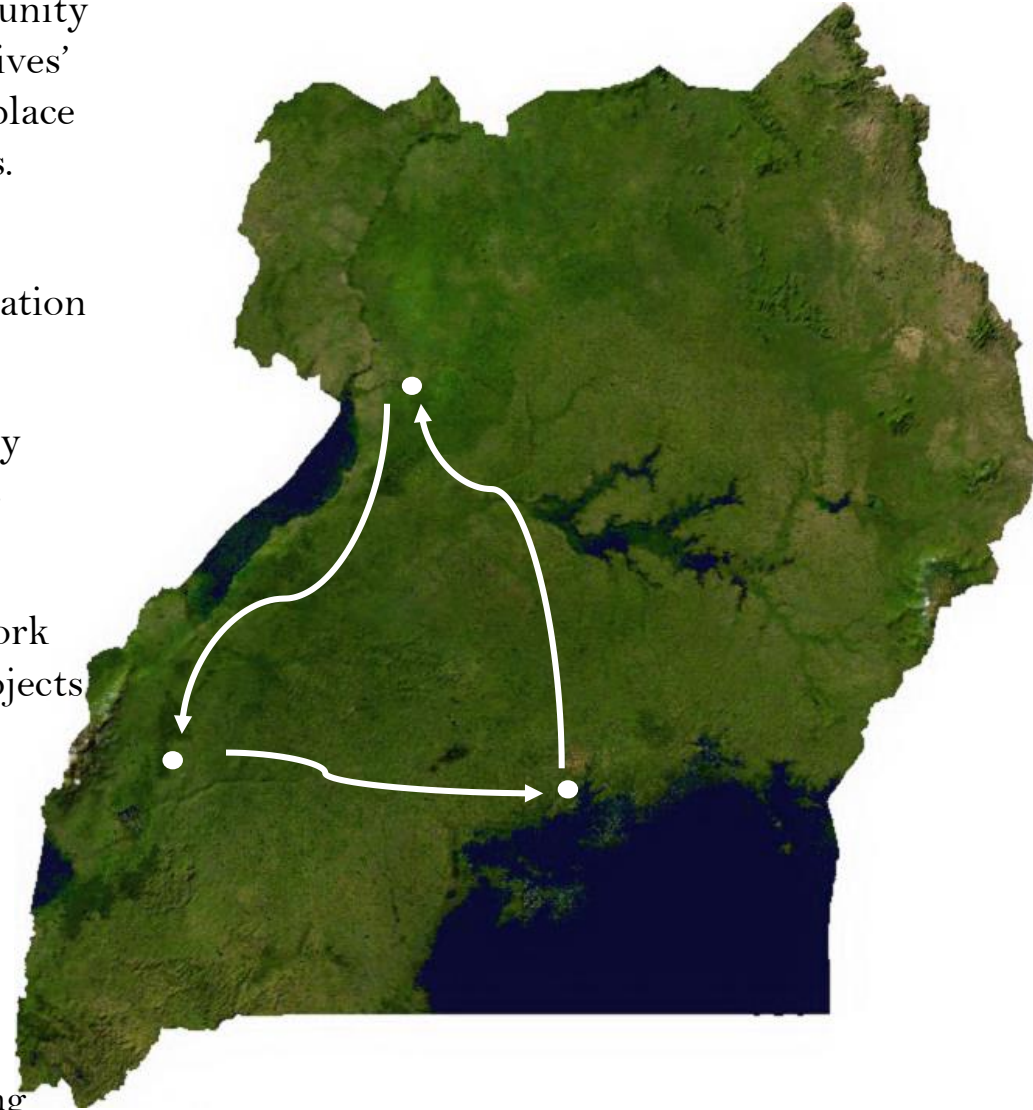
3-day safari to Murchison Falls National Park  
2-day chimp walk at Kibale National Park

**Trip Length:** 14 days

**Capacity:** 15 students

**Service Hours:** 30 hours community service

**Accommodation:** Self-contained rooms & camping



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## Itinerary



1

Fly into Entebbe International Airport and rest at Victoria View Guesthouse for a night before heading into Kikondo.



2

Drive into Kikondo to meet your hosts. Once camp is set up we'll take a tour of Kikondo village and get to know our neighbors for the week.



3

Our first opportunity to get our hands dirty and work with the community. In the afternoon we'll visit Kikondo Kindergarten.



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By the second working day we know what we're doing and the energy is high! Afternoon visit to a private primary school in Kikondo.



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Day 3 of service work should be our most productive! We'll look at our to-do list and re-set project goals. Afternoon visit to a local bakery.



6

Take a break from project work to rest, reflect, and clean up in the morning. In the afternoon we'll take a light hike for a sunset view.



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We're recharged and ready for a final push! We'll work hard in the morning and then square off against Kikondo youth in a soccer match before dinner.



8

Our final project day is bittersweet. We'll be happy to see our service complete, but sad to say goodbye to new friends. We end the day with a traditional barbecue and celebration.



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After breakfast we set off for Murchison Falls. We will arrive in time to stand on top of the falls and watch the Nile River squeeze through a narrow 7 meter gap in the rocks.



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On our game drive we will hope to see lions, elephants, giraffes, and other large mammals. We will also see hundreds of species of birds only found in Uganda.



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The drive from Murchison Falls to Kibale Forest is as memorable as the parks themselves! We'll pass the Lake Albert escarpment and get a view of the lake .



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We walk into Kibale National Park to try to meet up with one of the park's three clans of chimpanzees. In the afternoon we will visit Bigodi Wetlands swamp to see other primates.



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The drive back to Entebbe takes us through beautiful tea plantations. We arrive in Entebbe in the afternoon and prepare to head back home the next day.



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Relax in Entebbe before an evening departure. If it's nice out, we can relax by the swimming pool and stretch our legs before the flight.