Profile YES Scholarship Winners

Name: Ndiaye Papa Ibrahima Date of birth: 6th February 1983 Country of origin: Senegal

Country of studies: Memphis, TN-USA

Present country: USA

Studies level: Bachelor - Senior
University: The University of Memphis

Field of study: Management Information System

YES Scholarship: 2005/2006

Sponsor: Vodafone

Profession: Student Technical Assistant



Mr. Ndiaye received the YES (ITU/VODAFONE) Scholarship in 2005, which allowed him to complete his Bachelor degree in Management Information Systems. Thanks to this award, he was able to attend the spring 2006 semester and foster a big step toward his career goal as well.

Along with the YES Scholarship, he has been selected among 900 honors students of the University of Memphis to conduct an advanced undergraduate project at the FedEx Institute of Technology. Mr. Ndiaye was one of the first students of the university to explore the field of the most recent technology of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID). The idea of this system consists of transmitting the identity of a person or object using radio waves.

The contribution of the Youth Scholarship has also concerned his computer skills. During the same semester, Mr. Ndiaye enrolled in a website design class. As part of his activities, he was volunteer to tutor some refugee kids from Africa and plans to build a computer for them.

Now, he is working on a summer project which consists of building a website that will publicize the after school program and invite more people to participate.

This summer job is providing him with a great experience in hardware and software and surely some troubleshooting skills.

Depending on the availability of the funds, he will intend to graduate either early December 2006 or no later than May 2007. After that accomplishment, he plans to get the Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) before enrolling in Computer Information Systems for a master degree.

Mr. Ndiaye believes that the YES Scholarship has definitely opened the door to more opportunities.