

***Empowering women
through training and
education***



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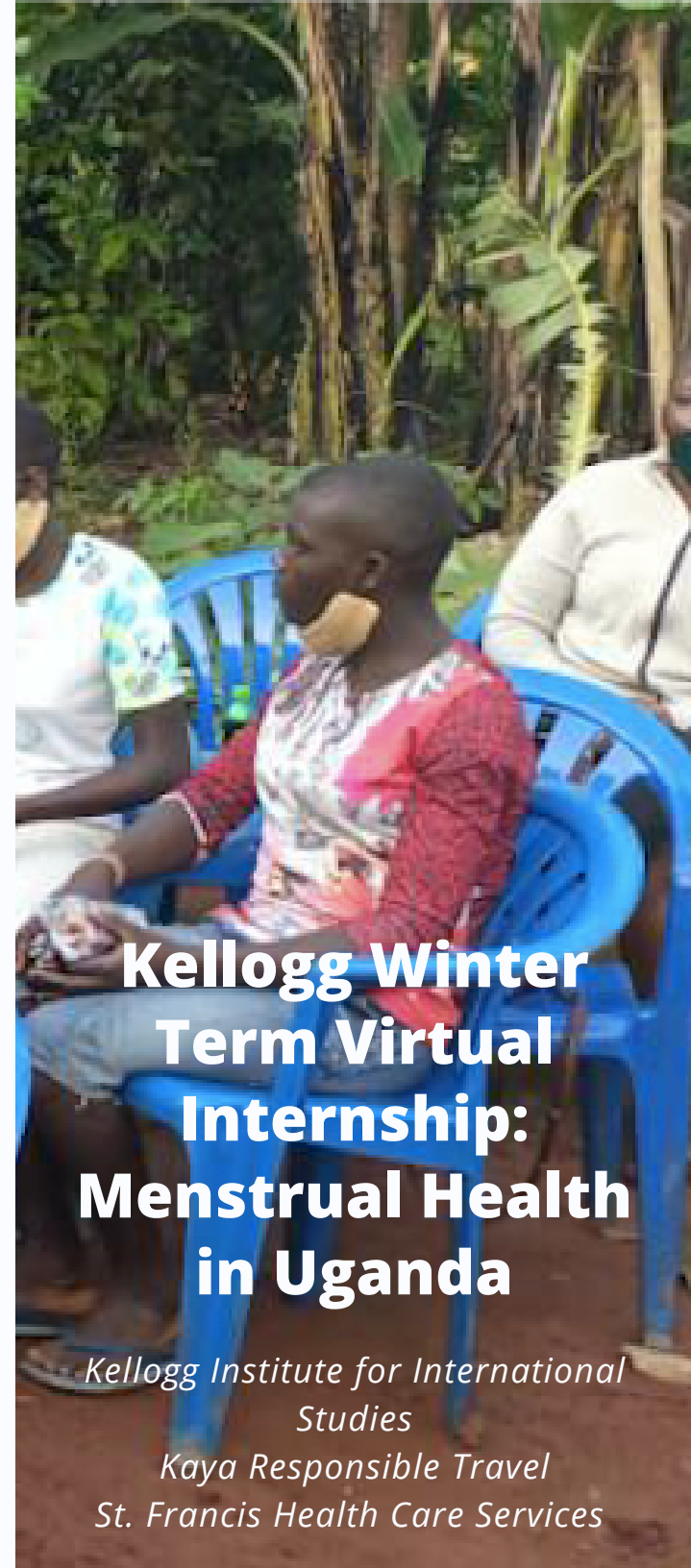
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CULTURAL IMMERSION

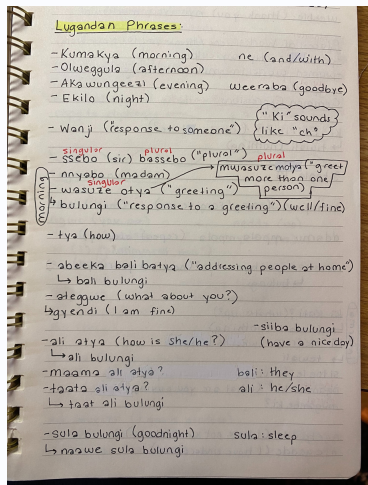
Each week we participated in various activities which allowed us to better experience a taste of life in Uganda. These activities ranged from buddy chats to learning how to speak Lugandan to various presentations on food, relationships, and healthcare in Uganda. We began to feel like members of the community, beginning each zoom call with "Mwasuze motya" (common greeting).

Our Buddy: Ken Reagan Muganzi

Ken is a 21 year old first year student at Kyambogo university. We spent about ~4 hours each week talking to Ken, comparing and contrasting life in America to life in Uganda as young adults. One of our highlights of talking to Ken was him taking us through downtown Kampala on a "boda boda" or motorcycle as we call it in America.



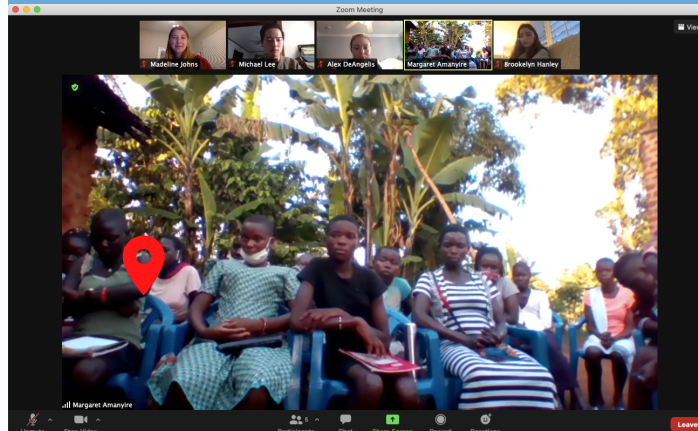
Learning the Local Language: Lugandan



Old vs. New Sanitary Pads



Working Together Virtually!



PROJECT AT A GLANCE

The Need

The community identified a need for reusable, hygienic menstrual pads, since disposable pads are expensive and wasteful.

The Activities

To address the need, we worked with a group of 30 participants and employed two activities:

1. Menstrual health training
2. Teaching girls how to make reusable pads

Outcomes/Future Steps

In the project evaluation, the participants demonstrated an increased knowledge of their menstrual health. They also demonstrated an ability to construct a pad by themselves and teach a different person how to construct a pad.

Future efforts include:

1. Coalition of girls to continue meeting and training the community about menstrual health
2. Pamphlets/manuals to distribute to other communities with instructions on how to construct a reusable pad
3. Exploration into more accessible and sustainable materials