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Salimatou Cristal Ouedraogo is an ESOL teacher for Prince George's County Public Schools in MD. She has almost 10 years of experience as an educator which includes time working as a mentor for first generation students in public schools and teaching as a Peace Corps volunteer. She is also a writer and appreciator of the arts, especially art that celebrates and elevates culture. She believes in the power of storytelling to educate, transform and heal. Her love for books transcends borders. She has helped fund raise for and create a library in the village where she served as a Peace Corps volunteer. In addition to teaching and writing, facilitates an extracurricular club (The Global Citizens Club) that she founded to help students cultivate cultural intelligence and empathy. She hopes to use the books she will gain to support cultural respect in and out of the classroom.