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Hi, I'm Ray, and I'm entering my third year of Chemical Engineering at Clemson. I'm originally from Birmingham, AL, but have been severely 'dislocated' in a wonderful way since I've been at Clemson. Before I even matriculated, I got going at Clemson by doing EUREKA!, an honors-based undergraduate research program for entering freshmen. It was both tons of fun and quite useful as I entered more comfortable than most other freshmen. The next summer, I spent the first half studying Spanish in Quito, Ecuador, which was primarily paid for through the Honors College Educational Enrichment Award program (Nice!). I followed that up with a trip taking classes in the UK and traveling through Europe. Finally, this most recent summer, I started off with a nice appetizer of Berlin which was a follow up to a class I was in, and then I headed out to Colorado to do research at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. Of course, I also have a good time *on campus*. In between my relatively full schedule, I do research through my department and am quite involved in the Honors College, participating in the Honors College Committee, living in the honors dorm, going to cultural events sponsored by honors, and taking part in activities such as Dixon Fellows, an honors program in which I get the opportunity to spend extracurricular time with a professor and a small group of honors students having informed and developed discussions. I'd love to hear from you if you've got questions or if you just want to chat about Clemson or the Honors College.