



PREPARING FOR GREATNESS

Honors students come to Clemson University with the highest goals and aspirations. They come to pursue meaningful and rewarding careers, to play leading roles at the forefront of research, and beyond that, to make a positive difference in their communities, the nation and the world. The mission of Calhoun Honors College at Clemson is to help our students achieve these extraordinary goals. The faculty and staff are dedicated to giving these talented students every opportunity to develop their full potential academically and personally, helping them prepare for a future with limitless possibilities.

IDEAS AND IDEALS

Calhoun Honors College challenges students in small classes with top faculty and intensive seminars on topics as varied and diverse as the students themselves. The Honors College supports students with formal and informal advising and by providing grants for research, travel and professional development. The Honors community is dedicated to the world of ideas and the ideals of service to others.



SUPPORTING EXCELLENCE

An exceptional academic experience does not come without costs. Clemson University needs private support in order to provide our most talented students with a challenging and supportive environment that ensures their ability to achieve their full potential. There are numerous ways that you can support the Honors College — through the Calhoun Honors College Excellence Fund, the Honors Opportunity Fund, study abroad programs, or by creating an endowed scholarship.

The Calhoun Honors College Excellence Fund

The Excellence Fund is an unrestricted fund that can be used at the discretion of the executive director to address the most pressing needs of the department. Potential uses of this fund focus on engagement and service opportunities for our students, including:

- commission of expert speakers from academia, government, business and the non-profit sector for public lectures and small-group meetings;
- student and program expenses that ensure the Honors College has the funds available to provide a unique and challenging learning environment worthy of Clemson's most talented and ambitious students; and
- service learning opportunities that allow our students to use their talents and energy to help others through research and activities.

Honors Opportunity Fund

Honors students pay a fee each semester to help fund the Honors College courses and programming. To make Honors affordable for everyone and to promote diversity within the College, we have launched the Honors Opportunity Fund. Donations to the fund will allow us to waive the Honors fees for outstanding students with financial need.



BY THE NUMBERS

- Ranked in the top 10 of public university honors programs
- 1,399 students (2017)
- 1440: median SAT of incoming freshman class
- Top 1.2 percent median class ranking of incoming freshmen
- 104 major fellowship winners since 2006
- 14 consecutive winners of the Norris medal, Clemson's highest academic award, by Honors students

Study Abroad Opportunities

Calhoun Honors College provides a wealth of connections and opportunities that makes it possible for Honors students to study, work and research at some of the top universities, corporations and locations around the world. These global engagement opportunities expand the learning environment beyond the classroom into unique and often challenging cultural contexts worthy of our exceptional students. Two examples of study abroad opportunities are the Christopher J. Duckenfield Scholars Program — St. Peter's Summer School at Magdalen College, Oxford, England, and European Crossroads in Brussels, Belgium. Your donation to these programs ensures that we can continue to support world-class learning opportunities for our deserving students.

Endowed Scholarships

One of the most effective ways to support the Honors College is to establish an endowment. Building an endowment strengthens the ability of the University to attract, develop and educate young scholars who represent the very best and brightest at Clemson. An endowment provides a lasting stream of income because Clemson holds the gift in perpetuity, investing the principal and using a portion of the annual return to fund a scholarship. This allows for a continuing stream of financial support while also increasing the endowment value. Creating a full endowment gives you, as a donor, the opportunity to put your name or the name of another person or organization on the fund in memory or tribute. A full endowed scholarship can be established for a minimum gift of \$50,000.



A LASTING LEGACY

A gift to Calhoun Honors College is a gift to Clemson, but it really is much more. Your support of these remarkable students could determine their ability to make a positive difference in the world. It is an opportunity to be a part of something beyond our imagination.

“The Honors College at Clemson has challenged me in multiple ways, all leading to the same result: a global, liberal arts education. Because of **the ENRICHING CURRICULUM** of the Honors College, I’m better equipped to tackle the challenges of an ever-changing, interdependent world.”

— Patrick Gorospe, Junior, Industrial Engineering

“Honors has allowed me to pursue a more holistic education that will benefit me throughout my personal and professional life. The Honors College is **a CLOSE-KNIT, INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY** that adds another level to the Clemson Family.”

— Leland Dunwoodie, Junior, Biochemistry

