



# Patrik Schuler

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*“The most rewarding part of my abroad experience was conversing in German with my Swiss grandparents for the first time.”*

Through an immersive experience in Germany, Patrik gained extensive language and cultural understanding. Learning took place in a variety of environments, from classroom conversations to daily trips with real-life applications.

After his study abroad experience, he spent two weeks in Switzerland with extended family, who are Swiss. He was able to demonstrate his language skills as well as continue to develop them through conversation. The language and cultural communication skills he gained have helped him in both personal and professional environments.

Patrik plans to use his German language skills to advance his industrial engineering career opportunities. He will begin a graduate program in industrial and operations engineering in fall 2019 at the University of Michigan.

- ★ Served five years in the United States Marine Corps
- ★ Bachelor’s degree in industrial engineering from Clemson University
- ★ Gained conversational German language skills
- ★ Promotes study abroad opportunities to student veterans

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