Hey Professor,

My name is Raj Jagirdar and I am a sophomore at Northeastern University studying Civil Engineering/Computer Science. My ultimate goal in civil engineering is to work in the realm of intelligent traffic engineering, hence my double major in Computer Science. I do not have a nickname that I prefer; my name is already pretty short. I identify using he/him pronouns and I am originally from a small town on the border of New Jersey and Pennsylvania called Newtown. I have lived there for most of my life, and the switch to city life in Boston has been very exciting. I like the ability to take the bus and train instead of having to drive everywhere, except for when it is absolutely frigid outside. There are many topics in environmental engineering that I find very interesting; One of my favorite YouTube channels is called Practical Engineering. I have watched videos on how sewage plants work and the design implication that go into them. I really want to learn more about water treatment and sewage and how they work. Without either of them, our society would be in shambles, and it is very important to make sure that both sewage and water always work. The topic of water quality is also something that interests me, being that it is the basis of society as every person in a certain community needs access to clean water to survive. It is an integral part fo what engineers do and it affects everyone. For my audio guilty pleasure, I think it would have to be the Black Eyed Peas song called Pump It.

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