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Gabriel Chien Memorial Fund

This endowment is to honor the memory of Gabriel Chien, a former history professor in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. Each academic year, \$1,000 will be awarded to a student who demonstrates an interest in global and historical perspectives. This will be demonstrated specifically in a paper written on a topic concerning China, a comparative approach to the study of China, or Sino-American relations.

Awards:

- The recipient of this award will receive a \$1,000 award (minimum) applied to their student account.
- An award certificate will be presented to the recipient at the CLASS Fall College Meeting.
- The recipient's name will be included on a plaque displayed in the Anspach student lounge area.

Eligibility:

- Competition is open to both graduate and undergraduate students.
- Student must be a U.S. citizen enrolled at Central Michigan University, preferably in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.
- Papers should be submitted for a graduate or undergraduate course during the academic year.
- The paper should be no longer than 10 pages in length. Bibliography pages are not counted.

Shapiro Prize in Social and Behavioral Sciences

This endowment is funded through gifts from Dr. E. Gary and Myra Shapiro. Dr. Shapiro has been a CMU sociology professor since 1978 and an administrator since 1989. In July 1997, he became the first Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. Dr. Shapiro left CLASS to serve as CMU Provost from 2010-2013.

The Shapiro Prize in Social and Behavioral Sciences will present a monetary award to the undergraduate student who has written the best social or behavioral science research paper based upon empirical data during the academic year.

Awards:

- The recipient of this award will receive a \$1,000 award applied to their student account.
- An award certificate will be presented to the recipient at the CLASS Fall College Meeting.
- The recipient's name will be included on a plaque in the Anspach student lounge area.
- The faculty sponsor of the paper will be given a certificate acknowledging their role.

Eligibility:

- Research papers submitted for undergraduate classes in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences during the academic year or revisions of such papers.
- Papers submitted to and/or presented at professional meetings in disciplines within the Liberal Arts and Social Sciences during the academic year.
- Research papers will be based upon empirical data (either data originally collected by the student or through analysis of secondary data).



CLASS Student Paper Competition

The College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences will present 2-3 awards for undergraduate students and 2-3 awards for graduate students for the best papers submitted to the college.

Awards:

- Undergraduate winners will receive an award and a certificate acknowledgement.
- Graduate winners will receive an award and a certificate acknowledgment.
- Faculty sponsors of the paper will be given a certificate acknowledging their role.
- Names of the student winners will be placed on a plaque displayed in the Anspach student lounge area.

Eligibility:

- Papers submitted for classes at the 300 level or above, in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, during the academic year or revisions of such papers. Papers submitted to and/or presented at professional meetings in disciplines within the Liberal Arts and Social Sciences during the academic year. Papers may be essays, theoretical papers, creative works, reviews of research in a field, or research papers.
- Papers may not exceed 30 pages in length. Bibliography pages are not counted.
- Student theses, dissertations or Plan B papers are not eligible for this competition. Students should submit their theses or dissertations to the College of Graduate Studies for the annual thesis or dissertation competition.
- Only one winner at the undergraduate level and one winner at the graduate level will be allowed from the same department. Students from the same department may win awards at both the undergraduate and the graduate level.

To submit a paper for consideration for any of these awards:

- Students should submit a completed application form and one copy of their paper electronically to the Dean's Office of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences to CLASSscholarships@cmich.edu
- Papers co-authored by faculty at this institution or another institution are not eligible.
- Student co-authored papers are eligible; all authors will be recognized and the award divided equally.
- A student may not submit more than one single authored paper. The maximum number of papers a student may submit is one single authored paper and one co-authored paper.

Judging will be conducted by a committee composed of volunteers from the faculty of the college. The dean of the college will select the committee. The committee will be formed to be representative of the college's disciplines. The associate dean of the college will be an ex-officio member of this committee.

Papers will be judged on overall quality. The evaluation of the papers will include consideration of the content of the paper, the clarity of the presentation, and, if appropriate, the research methods used.

Time Line for Student Paper Awards:

Papers submitted to the college:	May
Reading of papers:	June
Committee meeting and determination of winners:	July
Announcement of winners:	August



STUDENT NAME _____

CMU Address

Home Address

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

CAMPUS ID # _____ STATUS: Undergraduate student Graduate student

AWARD FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING (PAPERS MUST MEET ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.)

- Gabriel Chien Memorial Fund
- Shapiro Prize in Social and Behavioral Sciences
- CLASS Student Paper Competition

COMPLETE EITHER PART A OR B

A. PAPERS SUBMITTED TO CLASS DEPARTMENT COURSES

Course for which paper originally submitted _____

Semester paper submitted _____

Course instructor _____

B. PAPERS SUBMITTED AND/OR PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES

Conference where paper was presented/submitted _____

Date paper presented/submitted _____

Faculty Sponsor _____

FACULTY (PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICABLE INFORMATION AND SIGN.)

Course/conference to which the paper was submitted _____

The assignment was _____

Paper was submitted/presented during:

- Summer 2024 semester
- Fall 2024 semester
- Spring 2025 semester

Faculty Name (print)

Signature

Date