



## **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 of acknowledgment.
- Graduate winners will receive an award and a certificate acknowledgment.
- Faculty sponsors of the paper will be given a certificate acknowledging their role.

### **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.
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## **Application Procedures**

### **To submit a paper for consideration for the Student Paper Competition:**

- 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](mailto: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**

- 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.

### **Timeline 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



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DEADLINE: May 15, 2026

Submit electronically to: [CLASSscholarships@cmich.edu](mailto:CLASSscholarships@cmich.edu)

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

*CMU Address*

*Home Address*

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CAMPUS ID # \_\_\_\_\_ STATUS:  Undergraduate student  Graduate student

### 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 2025 semester

Fall 2025 semester

Spring 2026 semester

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Faculty Name (print)

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date