



COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Department of English Language and Literature

The study of English affords students the opportunity to master the crucial, interrelated skills of thinking, reading, and writing through immersion in the manifold products of language. Courses in linguistics and composition teach the skills necessary for the understanding and effective use of language. Courses in literature aid students in absorbing the full range of literary thought and art, thereby rendering them better able to understand themselves and their world. Courses in the art of teaching enable English majors or minors to transmit effectively the acquired legacy of their education to future generations.

Endowed Student Scholarships: \$25,000 minimum

Scholarships will help CMU's English Language and Literature Department remain competitive in recruiting and keeping talented and diverse students, giving students a boost that enables them to focus on their education and success.

Graduate Fellowships – \$100,000

MFA in Creative Writing and PhD in

Children's Literature, Language and Culture: Amount to be Determined

Monies raised will be used to assist in accomplishing the goals of this new, proposed programs. Goals are: raise academic standards by implementing efforts that increase expectations and learning across the curriculum. Provide students opportunities to synthesize, integrate and apply their knowledge. Target, attract and retain well-qualified and prepared students, faculty and staff. Increase diversity of faculty, students and staff. Enhance programs and activities for students, faculty and staff that foster better understanding across diverse groups. Identify for targeted investment, programs of research and creative activity with greatest potential to achieve national prominence.

Writer-in-Residence Program – \$ TBA

Department of Foreign Languages, Literatures and Cultures

The Department of Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Cultures provides strong language programs that open areas of the non-English speaking world and their cultures to our students; supports efforts to create a more international environment on campus by promoting study abroad and the recruitment of international students and faculty; and engages in and disseminates research through regional, national, and international scholarly communities.

Endowed Student Scholarships: \$25,000 minimum

Specifically need more Spanish Scholarships because of increased number of Spanish students (six needed). Scholarships will help CMU's FLLC remain competitive in recruiting and keeping talented and diverse students, giving students a boost that enables them to focus on their education and success.

Graduate Study Abroad Scholarships: \$25,000

These monies will be awarded to students attending two required study abroad experiences in Chile and Spain.

Exchange Professorship - \$100,000 and higher – These monies will be used for costs associated with travel and living expenses for a CMU faculty member teaching abroad.

Department of History

It is the mission of the Department of History to offer extensive coursework, at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, that reflects the historical depth, range, and diversity of the human experience in various regions and socio-cultural traditions; to train students in the art and science of historical interpretation and analysis; to provide an environment conducive to research at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels; to prepare students for careers in primary, secondary, and higher education; to provide background for those preparing for professions such as law, business, government, and journalism; and to encourage and support faculty in advanced scholarship in historical studies.

Center for Transnational and Comparative History: \$2 million

Central Michigan University will join four international universities in a culture-filled joint venture to expand educational and professional opportunities to its students and faculty. An ongoing agreement with Strathclyde University in Scotland has grown into an opportunity for CMU's history department to include three other universities, creating a consortium for graduate students to be centered on the study of transnational and comparative history. Included in the partnership will be Erasmus University in Rotterdam, Netherlands; Friedrich Schiller University in Jena, Germany; and Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla in Mexico.

Two visiting scholars to CMU from Erasmus University are the first to be involved in the consortium, which is part of the Center for Comparative and Transnational History at CMU. The partnership will reach even further in 2007 as the first CMU student has plans to study at Erasmus. The consortium will continue to grow as exchange agreements are completed and signed by the universities involved. The program will include graduate study exchange as well as an ongoing exchange of faculty and a series of scholarly conferences and workshops sponsored by the consortium.

Museum of Cultural and Natural History: Amount to be determined

The Museum is a creative learning center that provides academic and research support to the faculty, staff, and students of Central Michigan University. In fulfilling this role, the museum functions as the repository for historical, cultural and scientific collections acquired by the university and is responsible for the preservation and maintenance of those collections for present and future generations.

Department of Philosophy and Religion

The Department of Philosophy and Religion seeks to maintain and enhance its excellence in teaching and research in the discipline of philosophy and in the academic study of religion. We are also committed to the continuation of our tradition of outstanding service to the university and the community. .

Endowed Student Scholarships: \$25,000 minimum

Scholarships will help CMU's Philosophy and Religion Department remain competitive in recruiting and keeping talented and diverse students, giving students a boost that enables them to focus on their education and success.

Academy for Ethical Inquiry: Amount to be determined

CMU has committed itself to strengthening its culture of integrity by modeling and upholding the values of trust, respect, and civility. A primary strategy for achieving this is for faculty to uphold standards of academic and professional responsibility in the classroom, and to foster the development of qualities of respect, civility, and moral reflection in our students.

To that end, the Department of Philosophy and Religion and the Center for Professional and Personal Ethics, propose to establish the Academy for Ethical Inquiry. Classes offered in the Academy will allow the best instructors from the Department of Philosophy and Religion to offer small, intensive courses to undergraduates in the early phases of their college career.

The small course format will allow faculty to model the highest academic standards and to engage closely in their students' intellectual growth. In these classes, students will develop qualities of moral imagination and responsibility to reading the works of great moral writers and critics, engaging in discussion of both classical and current ethical problems, and learning to model mutual respect and civility, even while debating contentious issues. The premise is that in order to act responsibly, per Vision 2010, students must be able to think critically about alternative ethical positions.

Department of Political Science

The Political Science department strives to educate and train undergraduate and graduate students in an environment conducive to intellectual growth so as to advance their levels of knowledge of the discipline of political science, develop sophisticated political awareness, and facilitate their political action.

We conduct basic and applied research in order to advance the state of knowledge in the discipline of political science and to improve the quality of government and civic involvement at all levels.

The Department of Political Science represents a diversity of academic interest, political involvement, and professional experiences. Our scholarly interests are wide-ranging: from the study of East Asia to tribal governments; from environmental policy to the politics of immigration. The Department's faculty includes members who are involved in political parties, campaigns and elections as well as in interest group politics which is especially important in Michigan. The faculty also has breadth of professional experience, including positions such as Foreign Service Office, U.S. Senate staffer, National Park Service Policy Analyst, City Human Resources Director, and County Budget Analyst.

Endowed Student Scholarships: \$25,000 minimum

Scholarships will help CMU's Political Science Department remain competitive in recruiting and keeping talented and diverse students, giving students a boost that enables them to focus on their education and success.

Hart/Milliken Endowed Speaker Series in Political Integrity: \$500,000

A thematic speaker series designed to emphasize political integrity will challenge students to approach politics in a way that embraces America's diversity of ideas and perspectives, working to supplant negativity and partisanship with creativity and innovation in shaping future public policy. The series will seek out guest speakers whose work embodies the ideals set forth by leaders like Hart and Milliken, providing a forum where students may listen, learn and engage in meaningful dialogue focusing on a range of current political and policy-making issues.

Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work is committed to social justice and diversity and to the application of research to solve real world problems. In addition, the department is dedicated to teaching excellence and the promotion of critical thinking as mechanisms for encouraging social justice, diversity, and the solution of social problems.

Endowed Student Scholarships: \$25,000 minimum

Scholarships will help CMU's SASW Department remain competitive in recruiting and keeping talented and diverse students, giving students a boost that enables them to focus on their education and success.

Practicum Stipends: \$25,000

These monies will be awarded to students with a demonstrated financial need who are completing their practicum in Social Work or Criminal Justice or are participating in organized off-campus activities. Purpose of the money is to off-set costs of commuting to and from practicum or off-site worksite.

Field Work Study Scholarships: \$25,000 minimum

These scholarships will be awarded to students doing Anthropology field work. Monies will be used for costs associated with travel and living expenses while away from CMU.

Research Apprenticeships: \$50,000 minimum

These apprenticeship monies will be awarded to students – both undergraduate and graduate level - who will work with faculty on research projects and provide assistance in research. Faculty will compete for and be asked to submit application for apprenticeship monies for student assistants in their research annually.

Named Research Fund: \$100,000

The faculty in SASW is highly productive and accomplished. Monies are needed on a continual basis to support faculty research. A named research fund provides an annual award to be used for research by an SASW faculty member.