

Asian Studies Center at Michigan State University
S.C. Lee Best Paper Competitions for Undergraduate and Graduate Students
Application and Instructions 2016 - 2017

The Asian Studies Center at Michigan State University makes awards for undergraduate and graduate students for papers focusing on Asian topics. Students in any academic discipline may submit a research paper (typically 15 – 25 pages with citations) completed for a course or under the supervision of a faculty member, **at MSU during the spring, summer or fall semesters of 2016**. The paper must focus on an Asian topic or have significant content related to Asia. Book reports or literature reviews are not eligible. The paper competition is open to both undergraduate and graduate students who are enrolled through Spring 2017. Only one paper may be submitted by a student for a particular annual competition.

Application Checklist:

- _____ **Signatures:** The application must contain the printed name and signature of the professor whose class where the paper was originally submitted. The applicant must also sign and date the application.
- _____ **Format:** The paper is to be typed, double-spaced, 12 point font, footnotes at bottom, free of spelling and grammatical errors, and any commentary by the professor who graded the original paper. Pages must be numbered; **plus a title page without reference to the author's name or class for which it was written must be included**. A bibliography is required.
- _____ **Organization:** The paper has a clear statement of purpose and shows clarity of thought with sophistication, depth, and logic. A clear theme is developed in the paper.
- _____ **Content:** Papers must focus on Asian topics. The paper shows an objective treatment of the subject matter. Specific terms to a particular discipline are clearly explained.
- _____ **Course Context:** If the paper was written to fulfill a course requirement, a copy or summary of the course assignment must be attached.
- _____ **Competition:** The competition is open to both enrolled (including Spring 2017) **graduate and undergraduate** MSU students. Paper must be completed for a course or under the supervision of a faculty member **at MSU during the spring, summer or fall semesters of 2016**

Application and paper deadline: By 5 p.m. on February 3, 2017

Deliver by mail or drop off completed application and paper to:

S.C. Lee Best Paper Competition
ATTN: Julie Hagstrom, Assistant Director
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For more information and to download this application visit the Asian Studies website at <http://www.asia.isp.msu.edu>

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Student Name: _____ PID#: _____

Please print legibly or fill out electronically and print.

Local Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The following information needed pertains to the MSU course for which the paper was produced.

Title of Paper: _____

Course: _____ Semester: _____

Professor Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Professor's Original Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

By signing above, I certify that the information provided in all parts of my application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Please attach your paper

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