



**Asian Studies Center at Michigan State University
S.C. Lee Undergraduate Scholarship
Application 2026 - 2027**

The Shao-Chang Lee Scholarship Fund was established by friends and colleagues of the late Professor Lee, in his honor, to provide scholarship awards for **undergraduate students** enrolled at MSU who have made outstanding accomplishments in Asian Studies and are pursuing or planning to pursue a program that includes Asian Studies. The primary purpose of these awards is to encourage excellence in scholarship. Professor Lee was a noted authority on Chinese history and religion. He worked tirelessly to promote further understanding between East Asia and the United States.

- Applicants for the scholarship **must be undergraduate students** enrolled at MSU through Spring semester 2027.
- Preference will be given to those who have not received one before. No student may receive this award two years consecutively.
- The scholarship is administered by the Asian Studies Center. Selection of the winners is determined by the S.C. Lee Scholarship Committee.
- The scholarships are to be disbursed through the student MSU account. For the academic year 2026-2027, several awards of up to **\$3,000** may be given in Spring 2027.

The following documents must be submitted online to complete this application:

1. A **completed online application form**
2. A **current MSU transcript** of all academic work at MSU from the Registrar's office. The transcript can be requested via the Registrar Office's [Website](#). **Transcript must be uploaded through the online application form.**
3. **Submit a request for a recommendation from a faculty or an academic staff** who are able to comment on the applicant's recent academic performance. **Note:** Applicants are responsible for ensuring the recommender submit their recommendation on time by **December 05, 2026**.
4. **An essay of 500 to 800 words** (typed in Times New Roman 12-point font, double-spaced):
 - The essay should be an intellectual autobiography that explains how you became interested in your particular field of international studies, and what plans you have for the future which involve the continuation and development of this interest (e.g., language acquisition, future travel and study abroad, pursuit of research and funding opportunities, etc.).
 - It should demonstrate your academic and personal priorities, especially your values and the ways these are manifested in your present and prospective international studies.
 - Although this is not a formal academic essay, your ability to express yourself effectively will be a factor considered by the evaluators. It should reveal your academic and personal priorities, especially your values and the ways these are manifested in your present and prospective international studies.
 - **Essay must be uploaded through the online application form.**
5. A **completed online application**. Please visit the [2026-2027 S.C. Lee Undergraduate Scholarship Online Application](#) page.

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