The Michele J. Shover
Academic Excellence in Political Science Award

For a student who demonstrates academic excellence in Political Science.

Email your application and required materials to Professor Doris Schartmueller (dchartmueller@csuchico.edu) by Monday, February 26\textsuperscript{th}, 2024 (5:00 pm)

Each year, the CSU Chico Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice grants an award of approximately $2,500 to an undergraduate junior or senior student who excels in political science and believes that ideas and concepts in political science shape our understanding of the world in which we live.

Application
Please print clearly or type.

Name _________________________________________________________________________________

Address _________________________________________________________________ ______________

Permanent Address (if different)
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Phone ________________________________________________________________________________

Email (please print clearly!) _______________________________________________________________

Major___________________________________________Minor_________________________________

Class level in Spring 2024 _________________________ (applicant should be junior or senior in Spring 2024)

Overall GPA (NOTE: 3.5+ GPA required): _______________________________

GPA in Major ________________________________

Signature __________________________________________________  Date ________________

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Dr. Michele J. Shover taught political theory and American politics at California State University, Chico for 38 years (1968 – 2006). She received her Ph.D. from Tulane University in New Orleans, and was inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi and Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Societies. Dr. Shover’s research focused on women and politics, and she is the expert on the early history of Butte County, with a body of work including publications on John Bidwell, as well as books and articles on the experiences of women, African Americans and Chinese residents of our region in the 1800s. Dr. Shover also served as Chair of the Department of Political Science from 1978 to 1984.

John and Suzanne Taylor have sponsored this award to honor Dr. Michele Shover. John Taylor remembers Dr. Shover as a major influence in his political science studies. He graduated with his B.A. in political science from CSU, Chico in 1972 and received his law degree and Ph.D. in political science from the University of Arizona. Dr. Shover also helped guide the Taylors’ son, Clark, while he was a student at CSU, Chico. This award is given to recognize a student who also is inspired by the study of political science and by outstanding teachers and mentors such as Dr. Michele Shover.

Please submit the following materials with this application form:

☐ Your current resume.

☐ Submit a response with approximately 750 words to the following prompt: “Explain how a political figure who has influenced you reflects a political tradition important to you. Be specific.”

☐ For graduating seniors, preference will be given to those planning to continue their education in graduate school, law school, etc. It is therefore graduating seniors should submit an additional paragraph indicating their future educational plans.

☐ Transcripts of all college work (unofficial transcripts are acceptable).

☐ The names of two CSU, Chico Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice faculty members who have agreed to serve as a reference for you.

Reference 1: __________________________________________________________

Reference 2:  __________________________________________________________

Applications Due: By 5:00 pm on Monday, February 26th, 2024
Doris Schartmueller, POLS Awards Committee Chair
dschartmueller@csuchico.edu

Questions? Contact Professor Doris Schartmueller
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- Student Hours: M 11:00 am-12:00 pm, F 12:00-1:00 pm, or by appointment in Butte 719 or via Zoom:
  Personal Zoom Meeting Room: https://csuchico.zoom.us/j/3579379393?pwd=ZUQya0VVQldDd2VJU2hTaE9rS3Es2Zz09
Meeting ID: 357 937 9393
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