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Cards Against Humanity Announces Winner of Full-Ride Scholarship

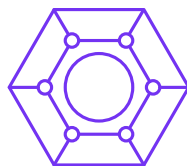
CHICAGO – High school senior Laura Chen has won the 2018 Science Ambassador Scholarship, a full-ride award from Cards Against Humanity that will allow her to attend any U.S.-based college of her choice, tuition-free.

“I’m stunned, grateful, and extremely excited,” said Chen, who plans to study bioengineering at The Massachusetts Institute of Technology this fall. “Winning this scholarship meant I didn’t have to worry about the financial pressures of college, and I could focus on choosing the school that was the best fit for me.” Chen was also accepted to Yale, Harvard, Brown, and Stanford.

The Science Ambassador Scholarship is an annual full-ride to college for women in science, technology, engineering and math. Cards Against Humanity created it after the success of its “Science Pack,” an expansion pack available for purchase on CardsAgainstHumanity.com. All proceeds from sales of the pack fund the growing scholarship trust, which has raised more than \$1 million.

“Our goal is to carve out public space for women in science,” said Maria Ranahan, Cards Against Humanity’s community manager. “This scholarship helps counter the underrepresentation of women in STEM by increasing their visibility and funding degrees.”

Scholarship applications opened for the third time last fall. Students were asked to submit short videos explaining a science topic.



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“We care about accuracy, creativity and enthusiasm in these video applications,” Ranahan said. “We were looking for someone who is excited to talk about science and be an ambassador to the public.”

An advisory board of more than 60 women who hold higher degrees and work professionally in science selected Chen as the winner.

“Laura’s educational video had a unique approach,” said board member and Northwestern University professor Veronica Berns, Ph.D. “She started with something that might sound uninteresting – slug slime – and showed us the beautiful biochemistry behind it. I’m delighted the world will hear more from her over the next four years.”

As the winner, Chen will continue to create educational videos about science. They will be hosted on Cards Against Humanity’s [YouTube Channel](#).

“I’m amazed that sharing my love for science has given me this incredible opportunity, and I’m looking forward to making more videos in the future,” Chen said.

This year, the scholarship committee awarded additional one-time awards to the runners-up. First runner-up Yuna Shin won a \$2,500 stipend for her video on genetic engineering. Second Runners-Up Kareena Chawla, Madeline M. Bowne and Jennah Eltahry Elghandour each won a \$1,000 scholarship.

To apply, students should visit ScienceAmbassadorScholarship.org in fall 2018.

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