

FIRED UP FOR CMU RESOURCE GUIDE



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WELCOME TO CMU, CHARTER ALUMNI!

We are thrilled to have you as part of our growing community of CMU Charter Alumni. Your journey through a CMU-authorized charter high school has prepared you well for this next chapter, and we are here to support you every step of the way. We hope you are ‘Fired Up’ and ready for your next year! This guide was made just for you and includes the resources that we believe would be beneficial for your time here.

At the CMU Center for Charter Schools, we are committed to ensuring that you feel connected, supported, and celebrated throughout your time at CMU. As a charter alumni student, you have access to exclusive scholarships, leadership opportunities, networking events, and mentorship programs all designed to help you succeed both academically and personally.

We encourage you to get involved, meet fellow charter alumni, and take advantage of the many resources available to you. Whether you are looking for professional development, ways to give back, or simply a strong community to be a part of, we are here to help.

To stay updated on upcoming events and opportunities, be sure to follow us on @chartertocmuchippewas and check your email for invitations to special alumni gatherings. If you have any questions or ideas, do not hesitate to reach out at info@TheCenterforCharters.org.

Once again, welcome to CMU, we are excited to see all that you will accomplish!

Fire Up,
The Governor John Engler Center for Charter Schools



ABOUT THE CENTER FOR CHARTER SCHOOL

The CMU Center for Charter Schools is a part of Central Michigan University that focuses on creating and overseeing public charter schools in Michigan.

Since 1994, CMU has been a leader in this area, currently partnering with 70 schools that serve over 29,000 students across the state. These schools offer free education and are open to all students, providing innovative learning options to meet diverse needs.

The Center ensures these schools maintain high standards by holding them accountable and supporting their development. Our mission is to improve public education through accountability, innovation, and access to quality education for all students.



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CMU CHARTER ALUMNI GROUP

The CMU Charter Schools Alumni Group is a welcoming community for students who graduated from CMU-authorized charter high schools and are now attending Central Michigan University. Through networking opportunities, scholarships, leadership roles, mentorship, and engaging events, the group is dedicated to supporting students' academic, personal, and professional success while helping them stay connected to their charter school roots. New this fall, the Charter to CMU Chippewa Scholar Alumni Lounge, located in the Center for Charter Schools in EHS 200 at Central Michigan University Center for Charter Schools, provides a dedicated space for Charter Alumni students to study, meet, collaborate, or simply take a break between classes. Together, the alumni group and lounge aim to foster a strong sense of community, connection, and belonging for Charter Alumni at CMU. Students interested in becoming more involved or pursuing leadership opportunities within the group are encouraged to contact us.



CMU 2026-2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall 2026	Spring 2027	Summer 2027
Classes Begin August 31	Classes Begin January 11	Session I Classes Begin May 17
Add/Drop Deadline September 6	MLK Jr. Day - No Classes January 18	Memorial Day May 31
Labor Day - No Classes September 7	Spring Break March 6 to March 15	Last Day of Session I Classes June 24
Fall Wellness Break - No Classes TBD	Gentle Break - No Classes April 1 to April 2	Session II Classes Begin June 28
Thanksgiving Break November 25 to November 30	Last Day of Classes May 1	Independence Day - No Classes July 4
Last Day of Classes December 12	Final Exam Week May 3 to May 7	Last Day of Classes August 5
Final Exam Week December 14 to December 18		
Holiday Break December 21 to January 11		

CMU RESOURCES

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

MATHEMATICS ASSISTANCE CENTER

The Math Assistance Center (MAC) is located in the Park Library on the second floor and open Mon-Thurs from 9:00am to 9:00pm and provides tutoring from math 101 to STA 382.

WRITING CENTER

The Writing Center is located in the Park Library in Room 360 and available by appointment made online. You can come with an assignment and get help brainstorming and crafting, or simply get help polishing off your assignment. Accessible to all students in any major or minor.

TUTORING SERVICES

Tutoring services includes group tutoring sessions for many subjects, as well as individual tutoring sessions. To find times and dates for tutoring groups, or to schedule individual tutoring sessions visit Academic Advising and Assistance in Ronan 250 or go to tutor@cmich.edu

CONFLICT & COMPLAINTS

STUDENT OMBUDS OFFICE

The Student Ombuds Office is a space meant to help students work through any university-related questions, concerns, or challenges. Conversations are private and meant to help students find solutions and take next steps. To get in contact or set up a meeting email ombuds@cmich.edu

DISABILITIES & ACCOMMODATIONS

STUDENT DISABILITY SERVICES

The Student Disability Services Office provides academic accommodations and auxiliary aids to ensure access to all CMU resources. (If you need some form of accommodation to thrive at CMU visit their offices!) Located in Park Library Room 120 or email them at sds@cmich.edu

HEALTH

CMU HEALTH-STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

CMU Student Health Services are dedicated to keeping students safe and healthy. Located at Foust Hall 200- Open Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and Towers Walk-In Clinic (Troutman Hall 103)- Open Monday-Friday 12:30pm to 4:30pm. Call 989-774-6591 to talk to a nurse at University Health Services about urgent care problems, injuries, illness, immunizations and other concerns.

CMU RESOURCES

— DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION —

CENTER FOR STUDENT INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY

Located in the Bovee University Center in room 108, CSID provides a safe that nurtures success in academic and personal goals through cultural enrichment, peer tutoring, mentoring, and leadership activities on campus. The CSID provides a space for students to do homework, connect, relax, and have free consistent access to wireless internet.

CENTER FOR STUDENT INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY

Located in the Bovee University Center in room 108, MASS is a comprehensive office, which provides academic, personal, social and cultural support to students. To empower and retain students, the office provides culturally relevant services through academic achievement, scholarship, cultural celebrations, mentoring, and intergroup dialogue which promotes the successful transition, persistence, achievement and graduation of students.

OFFICE FOR INSTITUTIONAL DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

Located in Warriner Hall 319 the Office for Institutional Diversity, Equity and Inclusion offers campus-wide programs and activities for students, faculty, and staff that foster better understanding across diverse groups.

OFFICE OF INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

Located in the Bovee University Center Room 108 the Office of Indigenous Affairs is responsible for various programs related to indigenous community and culture.

OFFICE OF LGBTQ SERVICES AND GENDER EQUITY PROGRAMS

Located in the Bovee University Center Room 108 The Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Services creates a safe space for Central Michigan University (CMU) students through a variety of programs, trainings and events. The office serves LGBTQ students, questioning students, and allies in the College and Graduate schools, in order to create an inclusive and safe community

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