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Dear Ms. McVaney

I am happy to inform you that your history capstone paper, *"From Crematorium Devils to the Last Witness: How Primo Levi's 'Grey Zone' Liberated the Auschwitz Sonderkommando,"* has been awarded the Robert M. Gutchen Prize for the best undergraduate history research paper for 2017-2018. Each instructor teaching History 495 during the last academic year nominated the best paper in the class for this award. Other professors in the history department then read each of these papers and chose yours as the best.

You can be very proud of your accomplishment. You will soon be receiving a check for \$75.00, which is part of the prize.

Congratulations on your fine work, and good luck with your future endeavors.

Yours truly,

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