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# Michigan Competitive Scholarship Fact Sheet Academic Year 2014-15

## **Description**

The Michigan Competitive Scholarship program is available to undergraduate students pursuing their first degree at an approved Michigan postsecondary institution. Students must demonstrate both financial need and merit and eligible applicants must achieve a qualifying ACT score prior to entering college.

## **Application**

Applicants must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students whose FAFSA is received by March 1 will receive priority consideration. Students are encouraged to file their FAFSA on the Web at www.fafsa.gov. Paper forms are available from the Federal Student Aid Information Center by calling 1-800-4-FED-AID or a printable version can be accessed on the www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov Web site. The FAFSA allows students to list multiple colleges when filing. Because Student Scholarships and Grants (SSG) does not know which college the student will select, **the award is based on the first college listed**. Students must file a renewal FAFSA every year to determine possible continued program eligibility. **The student is responsible for notifying SSG of a change of address or college choice.** 

#### **Program Limits**

Awards are restricted to tuition and mandatory fees. Awards may pay a maximum of \$676 per academic year at a Michigan public college or university or \$1,626 per academic year at a Michigan independent college or university<sup>1</sup>. Program eligibility ends when a student has received a baccalaureate degree, after completing the equivalent of ten (10) semesters or 15 terms, or when a student has been out of high school over ten years, whichever occurs first. Future awards are subject to available and approved funding.

## Eligibility Failure to meet these requirements could affect eligibility for an award.

- Provide your Social Security number to SSG by phone by fall of senior year in high school.
- Achieve a qualifying score on the ACT prior to entering college.
- Possess a high school diploma, certificate of completion, or general educational development (GED) certificate.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Enroll at least half time at an approved Michigan community college, public university or independent, degree-granting college or university (cannot be an institution whose primary purpose is to prepare students for ordination or appointment as a member of the clergy of a church, denomination or religious sect).
- Be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous calendar year.
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or approved refugee.
- Not be incarcerated.
- For renewal, maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- Meet institution's satisfactory academic progress (SAP) policy.
- Must not be in default on a Federal/State student loan.

## Other Gift Aid

It is the responsibility of the college financial aid office to coordinate all sources of aid for which you may be eligible. Other gift aid may reduce or cancel this award.

#### **For More Information**

Visit www.michigan.gov/ssg. Contact the Michigan Competitive Scholarship program, **Student Scholarships and Grants**, toll free at 1-888-4-GRANTS (1-888-447-2687), e-mail ssg@michigan.gov, or fax (517) 241-5835.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Students attending Baker College or Davenport University should contact their college financial aid office about the award amount.



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## **Participating Institutions**<sup>1</sup>

Adrian College Albion College Alma College

Alpena Community College

Andrews University Aquinas College Baker College

Bay de Noc Community College Bay Mills Community College

Calvin College

Central Michigan University

Cleary University

College for Creative Studies

Compass College of Cinematic Arts

Concordia University Cornerstone University Davenport University

Delta College

Eastern Michigan University Ferris State University Finlandia University

Glen Oaks Community College Gogebic Community College

Grace Bible College

Grand Rapids Community College Grand Valley State University Great Lakes Christian College

Henry Ford College Hope College

ITT Technical Institute Jackson College

Kalamazoo College

Kalamazoo Valley Community College

Kellogg Community College

**Kettering University** 

Kirtland Community College

Kuyper College

Lake Michigan College

Lake Superior State University

Lansing Community College

Lawrence Technological University

Macomb Community College

Madonna University
Marygrove College
Michigan Jewish Institute
Michigan State University

Michigan Technological University Mid Michigan Community College

Monroe County Community College Montcalm Community College Mott Community College Muskegon Community College

North Central Michigan College Northern Michigan University Northwestern Michigan College

Northwood University
Oakland Community College

Oakland University Olivet College

Robert B. Miller College

Rochester College

Saginaw Valley State University

Saint Clair County Community College

Schoolcraft College Siena Heights University

Southwestern Michigan College

Spring Arbor University University of Detroit Mercy

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor University of Michigan - Dearborn University of Michigan - Flint

Walsh College

Washtenaw Community College Wayne County Community College

Wayne State University

West Shore Community College Western Michigan University

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SSG will make your initial award based on the first Michigan school listed on your FAFSA. You may change your college choice by contacting the institution or SSG. **Students attending Baker College or Davenport University should contact their college financial aid office about the award amount.**