

DO YOU NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE?

OVERVIEW OF STATE FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS FOR 2026-27



Money is available to help you pay for college or career training!

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COMPLETE THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

Complete the FAFSA at **fafsa.gov** during your senior year of high school and every year you enroll in college.

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MISSG STUDENT PORTAL

Shortly after you complete the FAFSA, MI Student Aid receives a copy of it. To check your eligibility for State financial aid programs, create a MiSSG Student Portal at **michigan.gov/missg**. While logged in, you can also change your college choice and complete additional applications. A Social Security number (SSN) is required to create a MiSSG Student Portal account.

3

MAKE SURE MI STUDENT AID KNOWS WHERE YOU ARE ATTENDING

Awards are sent to the first Michigan college listed on your FAFSA. If you decide to go to another college, you can update it in the MiSSG Student Portal or by contacting the Customer Care Center at 888-447-2687 or email MiStudentAid@Michigan.gov.

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ATTEND COLLEGE

Attend an eligible Michigan college. Enrollment requirements vary by program. Full-time enrollment is required for Michigan Achievement Scholarship, MI Future Educator Fellowship, and MI Future Educator Stipend. The State financial aid you qualified for should be listed on the financial aid offer from your college. You can also check award amounts in the MiSSG Student Portal.

MOST STATE FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS REQUIRE STUDENTS TO:

- Submit a FAFSA.
- Be a Michigan resident.
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or approved refugee.
- Enroll at least half-time (six or more credits) at a participating Michigan college.
- Not be in default status on a Federal student loan.
- Meet the college's Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards.

CURRENT AND FUTURE AWARDS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE AND APPROVED FUNDING.

In Academic Year 2025 - 2026, MiLEAP provided more than \$675 million to over 150,000 Michigan college students.

MI STUDENT AID

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PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

MICHIGAN ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Recent high school graduates may be eligible for Michigan Achievement Scholarship. Students must be enrolled full-time and choose one of the following paths:

COMMUNITY COLLEGE GUARANTEE

This program pays for in-district tuition, mandatory fees, and contact hours.

PUBLIC OR PRIVATE UNIVERSITY

Students can receive up to \$5,500 per year up to five years.

CAREER TRAINING

Students can receive up to \$2,000 to earn a skill certificate.

MICHIGAN RECONNECT

Scholarship program for students age 21 and older which pays for the cost of in-district community college tuition or a significant tuition discount if you attend an out-of-district community college.

TUITION INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TIP)

Provides assistance to Michigan students who have received Medicaid coverage for 24 months within a 36 month period between age nine and high school graduation.

MI FUTURE EDUCATOR STIPEND

\$9,600 stipend to support Michigan's future educators during their student teaching semester.

MI FUTURE EDUCATOR FELLOWSHIP

Program for future Michigan educators to receive up to \$10,000 per year for up to three years.

CHILDRENS OF VETERANS TUITION GRANT

Provides tuition assistance to the natural or adopted children of a Michigan veteran that has died or become totally and permanently disabled, or missing in action (MIA), as a result of military service.

POLICE OFFICER'S AND FIRE FIGHTER'S SURVIVOR TUITION GRANT

Provides a waiver of tuition for the natural or adopted children and surviving spouses of Michigan police officers and fire fighters killed in the line of duty.

FOSTERING FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP

Provides assistance up to \$5,000 per year for Michigan students who had formerly been in foster care.

MICHIGAN INDIAN TUITION WAIVER

Provides a waiver of tuition costs for eligible Native American students attending public community colleges or universities within Michigan.



LEARN MORE

For more information about each program including requirements, deadlines, and the application process visit mi.gov/mistudentaid/programs.

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