

Michigan Tuition Grant Fact Sheet Academic Year 2017-18

Description

The Michigan Tuition Grant (MTG) program is available to undergraduate Michigan residents with financial need who plan to attend or are attending a Michigan degree-granting, non-profit independent college.

Application

Applicants must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by June 30 preceding Fall 2017 enrollment. 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, via the MiSSG Student Portal (www.michigan.gov/missg) or by phone at 888-447-2687.**

Program Limits

Awards are restricted to tuition and mandatory fees. Awards pay up to a maximum of \$2,000¹ per academic year at an approved Michigan independent college or university. Students may receive the equivalent of ten semesters (or term equivalent) of full-time assistance as an undergraduate. **Institutions are limited to \$3.5 million in MTG payments per academic year and are responsible for identifying who of their eligible students may be awarded MTG.** Future awards are subject to available and approved funding.

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

- Demonstrate financial need.
- Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to July 1 preceding Fall 2017 enrollment.
- Enroll at least half time at an approved Michigan degree-granting, non-profit independent college.
- Possess a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent.
- Be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous calendar year. For dependent students, parent must also be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous calendar year.
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or approved refugee.
- For renewal, must meet institution's Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy.
- Not be incarcerated.
- Cannot be enrolled in a course of study leading to a degree in theology, divinity, or religious education.
- 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.

Summary of 2018-19 Program Changes

- Must file the FAFSA by March 1 (instead of June 30).
- Award expires 10 years after a student's eligibility is determined. Eligibility is established the first academic year the student initiates enrollment (and has received a payment) at an independent degree-granting nonprofit institution.

For More Information

Visit <u>www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid</u>. Contact the Michigan Tuition Grant program, **Student Scholarships and Grants (SSG)**, toll free at 888-447-2687, e-mail <u>mistudentaid@michigan.gov</u>, or fax (517) 241-5835.

¹ Award amount is subject to legislative changes annually.

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Olivet College

Participating Institutions²

College for Creative Studies

Great Lakes Christian College

Adrian College Hope College

Albion College Kalamazoo College
Alma College Kettering University

Andrews University Kuyper College

Aquinas College Lawrence Technological University

Baker College Madonna University
Calvin College Marygrove College

Cleary University Northwood University

Compass College of Cinematic Arts Rochester College

Concordia University Sacred Heart Major Seminary³

Cornerstone University Siena Heights University

Davenport University Spring Arbor University

Finlandia University University Of Detroit Mercy

Grace Bible College Walsh College

² SSG will make your initial award based on the first Michigan college listed on your FAFSA. You may change your college choice via the MiSSG Student Portal (www.michigan.gov/missg) or by phone at 888-447-2687.

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³ Only students enrolled in the bachelor's degree program in philosophy are eligible for MTG consideration.