

# Do you need money for college?

Overview of State Financial Aid Programs for 2024-25



*Money is available to help you pay for college!*

## 01

### **Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

Complete the FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) during your senior year of high school and every year you enroll in college.

### **MiSSG Student Portal**

A few days 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](https://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.

## 02

### **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.

## 03

### **Attend College**

Attending an eligible Michigan college at least half-time (six or more credits) is required to receive State financial aid funds, with exception of the Michigan Achievement Scholarship and MI Future Educator Fellowship & Stipend programs, which require full-time enrollment. 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.

## 04

### **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 2023 - 2024, MiLEAP provided more than \$350 million to Michigan college students.

MI Student Aid

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# PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

## MICHIGAN ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Recent Michigan 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. There are no income requirements for this program. An additional \$1,000 Michigan Achievement Bonus is available for Pell-eligible students.

### PUBLIC OR PRIVATE UNIVERSITY

Students can receive up to \$5,500 per year up to five years. Students must demonstrate financial need by completing the FAFSA with an SAI of \$30,000 or less.

### CAREER TRAINING

Those who qualify could receive up to \$2,000 per year for up to two years to earn an industry-recognized certificate for a faster track to a high-paying career.

## MICHIGAN RECONNECT

Scholarship program for students age 25 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

Stipend to support Michigan's hardworking student teachers as they continue their journey to being in the classroom full-time. Student must be completing a required, full-time student teaching experience to receive the award.

## MI FUTURE EDUCATOR FELLOWSHIP

Program to create low-cost tuition pathways for future Michigan educators up to three years. Student must be enrolled full-time to receive the award.

## FOSTERING FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP

Provides assistance for college expenses to Michigan students who had formerly been in foster care.

Priority Application  
Deadline: August 1

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

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

Application Deadline: July 15

## CHILDRENS OF VETERANS TUITION GRANT

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

Application Deadline: July 15

More information on programs, award amounts, and deadlines can be found at [michigan.gov/mistudentaid](http://michigan.gov/mistudentaid).

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