

Description

The Michigan Competitive Scholarship (MCS) provides renewable scholarships for undergraduate students attending eligible Michigan postsecondary institutions. Awards are based on both academic merit and financial need.

Application

To apply for MCS, a student must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To check the status of an application, the student can log into the MiSSG Student Portal at michigan.gov/misssg.

The deadline for Academic Year 2023-24 is May 1, 2023.

Eligibility

To be eligible for an award, a student must:

- File a FAFSA prior to the MCS application deadline.
- Earned a high school diploma or recognized equivalent prior to 2023.
- Achieve a qualifying score* by June 30 of the academic year that the student completed high school or its recognized equivalent.
- The student's high school completion year determines which test counts as qualifying:
 - Beginning with the Class of 2017: SAT minimum score of 1200.
 - Ending with the Class of 2016: ACT minimum composite score of 23.
- MI Student Aid must have the student's Social Security number on file in order to pair with the FAFSA.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Be enrolled in at least six credit hours at a participating institution.
- All participating institutions are listed on the last page of this Fact Sheet.
- Possess a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent.
- Be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous calendar year.
 - If a dependent student, 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.
- Not be incarcerated.
- Be an undergraduate student.
- Not be in default on a Federal student loan.
- For renewal, meet institution's Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy.
- For renewal, maintain a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0.

Program Limits

Awards are restricted to tuition and mandatory fees and pay up to a maximum of \$1,500 for the academic year at participating institutions. It is the responsibility of the college financial aid office to coordinate all sources of aid for which a student may be eligible. Other gift aid may reduce or cancel this award.

Program eligibility ends when a student:

- Has received a baccalaureate degree, or
- Has exhausted their check counts (a method used to monitor MCS usage)
Each student will have a starting pool of 60 check counts (the equivalent of 10 full-time semesters/terms), or
- Has been out of high school over ten years, whichever occurs first.

Students receiving the Michigan Achievement Scholarship may not also receive the Michigan Competitive Scholarship in the same semester/term.

Current and future awards are subject to available and approved funding.

*Class of 2020 and 2021 students may be considered using alternative scholastic achievement criteria determined by the department.

ADRIAN COLLEGE	HOPE COLLEGE	OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ALBION COLLEGE	JACKSON COLLEGE	OAKLAND UNIVERSITY
ALMA COLLEGE	KALAMAZOO COLLEGE	OLIVET COLLEGE
ALPENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	ROCHESTER UNIVERSITY
ANDREWS UNIVERSITY	KELLOGG COMMUNITY COLLEGE	SAGINAW CHIPPEWA TRIBAL COLLEGE
AQUINAS COLLEGE	KETTERING UNIVERSITY	SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
BAKER COLLEGE	KEWEENAW BAY OJIBWA COMMUNITY	SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
BAY COLLEGE	KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	SIENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY
BAY MILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	KUYPER COLLEGE	SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE
CALVIN UNIVERSITY	LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE	SPRING ARBOR UNIVERSITY
CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY	ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
CLEARY UNIVERSITY	LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE	UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY
COLLEGE FOR CREATIVE STUDIES	LAWRENCE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - ANN ARBOR
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY	MACOMB COMMUNITY COLLEGE	UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - DEARBORN
CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY	MADONNA UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - FLINT
DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY	MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY	WALSH COLLEGE
DELTA COLLEGE	MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY	WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE	WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY	MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
GLEN OAKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	MONTCALM COMMUNITY COLLEGE	WEST SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
GOGEBIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE	MOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
GRACE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY	MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	
GREAT LAKES CHRISTIAN COLLEGE	NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE	
GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	NORTH CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE	
GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY	NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	
HENRY FORD COLLEGE	NORTHWOOD UNIVERSITY	

- Awards are based on the first Michigan college choice listed on the FAFSA.
- The student is responsible for notifying MI Student Aid of any changes of address or college choice.
- It is the responsibility of the student to be informed of all eligibility requirements and program rules.