Programs at a Glance

Student Scholarships and Grants

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What student financial aid programs are available from the State of Michigan?

- Children of Veterans Tuition Grant (CVTG)
- Dual Enrollment (DE)
- Fostering Futures Scholarship (FFS)
- GEAR UP College Day
- GEAR UP Michigan! Scholarship
- Michigan Competitive Scholarship (MCS)
- Michigan Nursing Scholarship (MNS)
- Michigan Merit Award - Military Extensions only
- Michigan Tuition Grant (MTG)
- Police Officer's and Fire Fighter's Survivors Tuition Grant (STG)
- Tuition Incentive Program (TIP)

Outreach Services

SSG is actively involved in promoting postsecondary education, financial education, and financial aid options to Michigan students and families. Our services include:

- Participation at college fairs and community events
- SSG presentations at schools for students and families
- Free SSG publications (guidebook, flyers, posters)
- Financial education presentations and SSG publications
- Mini webinars and webcasts
- Collaboration with SSG partners
- List of K-12 schools eligible for Teacher Loan cancellations
- Social Media
- Assistance with navigating the college financing process

Who qualifies for Michigan financial aid?

All State of Michigan programs require:

- High school diploma, certificate of completion, or GED
- Michigan residency of at least one year prior to enrollment
- U.S. citizenship, permanent residency, or approved refugee status
- At least half-time enrollment at an approved Michigan college or university
- The student is not in default on a federal student loan
- The student to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards set forth by the institution

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Program Name	Program Details	Annual Award Amount
Children of Veterans Tuition Grant (CVTG)	Must be the natural or adopted child of a Michigan veteran who is totally and permanently disabled, deceased, or missing in action. Must be at least 16 and less than 26 years old. Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.25 for renewal.	Award amount up to $2,800 per academic year for up to four academic years. Grand total of award is $11,200. Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees.
Dual Enrollment	Students attending a private high school are determined eligible by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE). SSG then pays the college for each eligible student.	Varies
Fostering Futures Scholarship (FFS)	The Fostering Futures Scholarship provides scholarships to young adults who have experienced foster care in Michigan. Awards are paid directly to the students' institution to assist with unmet need in tuition/fees, room/board, and books/supplies. Students must have been in foster care on or after their 13th birthday. There is no upper age limit; students can receive funding at any age. Students must be attending a Michigan degree-granting public or private 4-year college/university or a community college.	Award varies based on need and any other financial aid the student is receiving.
GEAR UP College Day	Must have participated in GEAR UP College Day Program between 2007 and 2012 and been nominated for an award.	Awards are $5,500 per academic year for full-time students, but cannot exceed the cost of attendance.
GEAR UP Michigan	Must have participated in GEAR UP Urban Centers Program between 2002 and 2007 and have been nominated for an award.	Varies through 2015-16
Michigan Competitive Scholarship (MCS)	Must have a qualifying ACT score of at least 23 (composite) or 90 (scaled). Federal processor must receive Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1. (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.) Must maintain a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA.	Program is both merit and need based. Award amount is $636 (2015-16). Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees. Limited to 10 semesters or 15 terms.
Michigan Nursing Scholarship (MNS)	The Michigan Nursing Scholarship (MNS) is a non-need based award available to Michigan residents enrolled at least half-time at an eligible institution in a program leading to either a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) certification, Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN), Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), or Masters of Science in Nursing (MSN).	Awards are $4,000 per academic year for full-time students, but cannot exceed the cost of attendance less other grants and scholarships. Students receiving a full-time scholarship award must agree to work as a direct patient care nurse in an eligible Michigan facility, or as a teacher of nursing at an eligible Michigan postsecondary institution, one year for each year of assistance. If the work commitment is not fulfilled, the scholarship becomes a loan that must be repaid.
Michigan Merit Award	Available only for students with military extensions until 2017.	Up to $3,000
Michigan Tuition Grant (MTG)	Federal processor must receive Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by June 30. Must be enrolled at an approved independent, degree-granting Michigan institution. Cannot be enrolled in a course of study leading to a degree in theology, divinity, or religious education.	Program is need based. Award amount is $1,830 (2015-16). Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees. Limited to 10 semesters or 15 terms.
Police Officer's and Fire Fighter's Survivor Tuition Grant (STG)	For children and surviving spouses of Michigan police officer and firefighter killed in the line of duty. Child must be less than 21 at the time of the police officer's or firefighter's death. Must apply before age 26 and be able to provide satisfactory proof of death. Must enroll at least half-time in a program leading to a certificate or degree at an approved Michigan community college or public university.	Excluding death benefits, must be below 400% of the federal poverty level (demonstrate financial need). Award limited to tuition only. Limited to 9 semesters or 13 terms (124 semester or 180 term credits).
Tuition Incentive Program (TIP)	Student must have received Medicaid coverage, as determined by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), for 24 months within any 36-consecutive month period between age 9 and high school graduation. Must submit application by August 31 of the student's senior year. Must begin using TIP within four years of high school graduation. Eligibility ends after six years from the date of high school graduation.	Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees. Eligible mandatory fees cannot exceed $250 per semester or term. Pays up to 24 semester or 36 term credits per academic year. Cannot exceed 80 semester or 120 term credits.