

# Michigan Competitive Scholarship Fact Sheet Academic Year 2013-14

#### Description

The Michigan Competitive Scholarship program is available to undergraduate students pursuing their first degree at an approved Michigan postsecondary institution. Students must demonstrate both financial need and merit and eligible applicants must achieve a qualifying ACT score prior to entering college.

#### Application

Applicants must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students whose FAFSA is received by March 1 will receive priority consideration. Students are encouraged to file their FAFSA on the Web at <u>www.fafsa.gov</u>. Paper forms are available from the Federal Student Aid Information Center by calling 1-800-4-FED-AID or a printable version can be accessed on the www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov Web site. 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.** 

#### **Program Limits**

Awards are restricted to tuition and mandatory fees. Awards may pay a maximum of \$630 per academic year at a Michigan public college or university or \$1,524 per academic year at a Michigan independent college or university<sup>1</sup>. Program eligibility ends when a student has received a baccalaureate degree, after completing the equivalent of ten (10) semesters or 15 terms, or when a student has been out of high school over ten years, whichever occurs first. Future awards are subject to available and approved funding.

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

- Provide your Social Security number to SSG by phone by fall of senior year in high school.
- Achieve a qualifying score on the ACT prior to entering college.
- Possess a high school diploma, certificate of completion, or general educational development (GED) certificate.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Enroll at least half time at an approved Michigan community college, public university or independent, degreegranting college or university (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).
- 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.
- For renewal, maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- Meet institution's satisfactory academic progress (SAP) policy.
- 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.

#### **For More Information**

Visit www.michigan.gov/ssg. Contact the Michigan Competitive Scholarship program, **Student Scholarships** and Grants, toll free at 1-888-4-GRANTS (1-888-447-2687), e-mail ssg@michigan.gov, or fax (517) 241-5835.

<sup>1</sup> Students attending Baker College or Davenport University should contact their college financial aid office about the award amount.



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#### Participating Institutions<sup>1</sup>

Adrian College Albion College Alma College Alpena Community College Andrews University Aquinas College Baker College Bay de Noc Community College Bay Mills Community College Calvin College Central Michigan University **Cleary University** College for Creative Studies **Compass College of Cinematic Arts** Concordia University **Cornerstone University Davenport University** Delta College Eastern Michigan University Ferris State University Finlandia University Glen Oaks Community College **Gogebic Community College** Grace Bible College Grand Rapids Community College Grand Valley State University Great Lakes Christian College Henry Ford Community College Hope College **ITT** Technical Institute Jackson College Kalamazoo College Kalamazoo Valley Community College Kellogg Community College Kettering University Kirtland Community College Kuyper College Lake Michigan College Lake Superior State University

Lansing Community College Lawrence Technological University Macomb Community College Madonna University Marygrove College Michigan Jewish Institute Michigan State University Michigan Technological University Mid Michigan Community College Monroe County Community College Montcalm Community College Mott Community College Muskegon Community College North Central Michigan College Northern Michigan University Northwestern Michigan College Northwood University **Oakland Community College Oakland University Olivet** College Robert B. Miller College **Rochester College** Saginaw Valley State University Saint Clair County Community College Schoolcraft College Siena Heights University Southwestern Michigan College Spring Arbor University University of Detroit Mercy University of Michigan - Ann Arbor University of Michigan - Dearborn University of Michigan - Flint Walsh College Washtenaw Community College Wayne County Community College Wayne State University West Shore Community College Western Michigan University

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SSG will make your initial award based on the first Michigan school listed on your FAFSA. You may change your college choice by contacting the institution or SSG. **Students attending Baker College or Davenport University should contact their college financial aid office about the award amount.**