

MICHIGAN STUDENT FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS

PLEASE NOTE: The following programs are available through the State of Michigan for the 2008-09 academic year. All scholarship and grant programs are subject to approved and available funding. Additional information about all of these programs is available on the Web site www.michigan.gov/studentaid.

MICHIGAN COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIP – 1-888-447-2687

This program is available to undergraduate students pursuing their first degree on at least a half-time basis at a participating Michigan postsecondary institution. Students must demonstrate both financial need and merit. Eligible applicants must take the ACT and achieve a qualifying score prior to entering college. To apply, file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. (For priority consideration for state programs, file by March 1.) Questions regarding this program can be directed by e-mail to osg@michigan.gov.

MICHIGAN TUITION GRANT – 1-888-447-2687

This program is available to students with financial need who attend independent, degree-granting, nonprofit Michigan postsecondary institutions on at least a half-time basis. To apply, file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Questions regarding this program can be directed by e-mail to osg@michigan.gov.

MICHIGAN PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP – 1-888-477-2687

This program provides scholarships to high school graduates for successfully completing two years of postsecondary education. All students who took the Michigan Merit Exam (MME) have the opportunity to receive scholarship assistance if they complete the program's postsecondary education requirements. Questions regarding this program can be directed by e-mail to osg@michigan.gov.

ADULT PART-TIME GRANT – 1-888-447-2687

This grant is intended for financially needy, independent undergraduates who have been out of high school for at least two years. Eligible students must enroll at a participating Michigan postsecondary institution on a part-time basis. To apply, file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. For further information, contact your college financial aid office.

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT – 1-888-447-2687

This grant is available for needy undergraduate students who enroll on at least a half-time basis at a Michigan public community college or university. To apply, file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. For further information, contact your college financial aid office.

MICHIGAN WORK-STUDY – 1-888-447-2687

The program provides work opportunities to help needy undergraduate or graduate students pay educational expenses. Qualifying students must enroll at a participating Michigan postsecondary institution on at least a half-time basis. Award amount varies based on need, wage and hours worked. To apply, file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. For further information, contact your college financial aid office.

TUITION INCENTIVE PROGRAM – 1-888-447-2987

This is an incentive program that encourages eligible students to complete high school by providing tuition assistance for the first two years of college and beyond. Identified Medicaid eligible students who graduate from high school or complete their GED before age 20 must enroll at a participating Michigan postsecondary institution on at least a half-time basis. Questions regarding this program can be directed by e-mail to osg@michigan.gov.

MICHIGAN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP – 1-888-447-2687

This is an award available to students enrolled at a participating Michigan postsecondary institution on at least a half-time basis in a program leading to a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) certification, Associate Degree in Nursing (AND), Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), or Master of Science in Nursing (MSN). Students are selected for scholarship awards by their college or university. Fulfilling a work commitment is required of the scholarship must be repaid. For further information, contact your college financial aid office.

CHILDREN OF VETERANS TUITION GRANT – 1-888-447-2687

This program is designed to provide undergraduate tuition assistance to certain children of Michigan veterans. To be eligible a student must be the natural or adopted child of a Michigan veteran and between 16 and 26 years of age. Qualifying students must enroll at a participating Michigan postsecondary institution on at least a half-time basis. The veteran must be deceased or totally and permanently disabled due to service related causes, or be listed as MIA (missing in action). Questions regarding this program can be directed by e-mail to osg@michigan.gov.

FEDERALLY GUARANTEED STUDENT LOANS – 1-800-642-5626

If scholarships and grants do not meet your entire educational need, call the Michigan Guaranty Agency for information about obtaining a federally guaranteed student loan through the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP).

- Federal Subsidized Stafford Loans
- Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loans
- Federal PLUS Loans (for parents of undergraduate students)
- Federal Grad PLUS Loans (for graduate/professional students)

MICHIGAN EDUCATION TRUST (MET) – 1-800-638-4543

The Michigan Education Trust is a guaranteed tuition program and provides parents, grandparents, and others the opportunity to pre-purchase tuition at today's rates for a Michigan child to attend college in the future. MET savings are eligible for a State of Michigan income tax deduction. Those with questions regarding this program can contact treasmet@michigan.gov or visit the website at www.setwithmet.com.

MICHIGAN EDUCATION SAVINGS PROGRAM (MESP) – 1-877-861-6377

The Michigan Education Savings Program is an investment/savings program that provides families with a flexible way to save for a child's higher education expenses. Savings can be used at any eligible educational institution in the nation. MESP savings are eligible for a State on Michigan income tax deduction up to \$10,000 for joint filers (\$5,000 for single filers). Detailed program information is available online at www.misaves.com.

For more information contact the Office of Scholarship and Grants (OSG) at:

- osg@michigan.gov
- www.Michigan.gov/osg
- 1-888-447-2687