

Free Tuition Programs for Low-Income Students at 4-year Colleges and Universities in Michigan

ALBION COLLEGE

Albion College Promise

Tuition is covered for Michigan students from families earning less than \$65,000 a year.

<https://www.albion.edu/admission/cost-financial-aid/albion-college-promise/>

ALMA COLLEGE

Detroit Future

Free tuition for students who live or attend high school in Detroit and who have annual family incomes under \$65,000.

<https://www.alma.edu/admissions/financial-aid/grants-scholarships/alma-scholarships/geo-scholarships/detroit-future-scholarship/>

CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Beginning in the fall of 2021, CMU will guarantee financial aid that covers tuition for students from families with household incomes under \$50,000. The program is new and there isn't a link available to the details yet.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Education First Opportunity Scholarship

Full tuition for first-year students who have at least a 3.0 grade point average in high school and are eligible for a federal Pell grant, which typically tops out at a family income of \$50,000 or less. Students who qualify for the scholarship as a freshman can keep it for four years, if they continue to qualify for Pell Grants.

<https://www.emich.edu/education-first-opportunity-scholarship/index.php>

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

Ferris Launch

Full tuition for first-time college students with a 3.0 or higher grade point average in high school and a FAFSA determination that their family cannot contribute any money toward college costs.

<https://www.ferris.edu/admissions/financialaid/FerrisLaunch.htm>

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Grand Valley Pledge

Full tuition for full-time students from six counties (Kent, Ottawa, Calhoun, Muskegon, Wayne, and Grand Traverse) who are from families with household incomes under \$50,000 and have less than \$50,000 in assets outside of things like the home they live in and retirement accounts.

<https://www.gvsu.edu/gvpledge/>

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Spartan Advantage Program

Michigan students from families qualifying for the maximum federal Pell grant – a rule of thumb is a household income under \$26,000 – are eligible for a program offering free tuition and other financial aid. Students can get free tuition for up to eight semesters.

<https://finaid.msu.edu/spad.asp>

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

Golden Grizzlies Tuition Guarantee

Free tuition for students with expected family contributions on the FAFSA of under \$8,000. University officials say the average household income of those who qualify for the Oakland program is \$41,000, though families earning as much as \$140,000 are considered. Students can receive free tuition for four years.

<https://oakland.edu/tuition-guarantee/>

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Cardinal Commitment

Families with incomes under \$50,000 can attend Saginaw Valley tuition-free beginning in the fall of 2021. Covers eligible tuition and mandatory fees for new first-time college students for up to four continuous years or through completion of first bachelor's degree, whichever is sooner.

<https://www.svsu.edu/cardinalcommitment/>

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Go Blue Guarantee

Full tuition for Michigan-resident students from families with household incomes under \$65,000 a year and less than \$50,000 in assets outside of things like the home they live in and retirement accounts.

<https://goblueguarantee.umich.edu/>

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

Heart of Detroit Tuition Pledge

Full tuition for Detroit residents and those who graduate from Detroit high schools, with no limit on family income.

<https://wayne.edu/heart-of-detroit>