

Michigan Work-Study
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Michigan Work-Study (MWS)

This award offers work opportunities for undergraduate or graduate students who enroll in participating degree-granting Michigan colleges and universities. Employment is usually on campus but many colleges have agreements with off-campus employers. Award amounts vary based on need, wage, and hours worked. The rate of pay will be at least the current federal minimum wage.



In addition to earning money for school, a work-study position enables a student to gain valuable work experience and develop human relations skills, as well as leadership abilities.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for Work-Study, the student must:

- Demonstrate financial need.
- Be a Michigan resident.
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Enroll at least half-time in an eligible program.
- Meet the institution’s Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy.
- Not be in default on an educational loan.
- Not be incarcerated.

Application Procedure

Students apply for MWS by filing the FAFSA. The college is responsible for awarding the funds to eligible students. Qualifying students will receive an award letter.

Award Amount

The award amount varies based upon need, hours worked, and wages paid.

For additional information about Michigan Work-Study, contact the Office of Scholarships and Grants at 1-888-4-GRANTS (1-888-447-2687), by email at osg@michigan.gov, or visit the Web site at www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid.