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SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

Fall 2025, Winter and Summer 2026
First-Year Students and Transfers



GOLDEN GUARANTEE

FREE TUITION

FOR ELIGIBLE INCOMING FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Incoming first-year students, who are eligible for the Michigan Achievement Scholarship, and have family incomes of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets less than \$50,000 will automatically be considered for the Golden Guarantee. The total amount of Oakland University institutional awards and tuition waiver benefits cannot exceed the cost of tuition (the OU Housing Grant and the Geographic Region Award are not included in this limitation of OU awards and benefits).

$$\left(\text{OU Tuition} - \text{Gift aid}^* \right) = \text{Remaining balance}$$

The Golden Guarantee covers this!

Eligible incoming first-year students can attend Oakland University free for four years. That means you can focus on your degree and your future — without worrying about how to pay for it. Find out if you qualify today.

* Gift aid includes federal, state, OU and external scholarships, grants and other awards, and excludes OU housing awards.

OU HOUSING GRANT

UP TO \$20,000 FOR FOUR YEARS

(UP TO \$5,000 PER YEAR)

Awarded to students with a high school GPA of 3.0 or higher. Recipients must live in on-campus housing, with full semester on-campus housing charges not covered by another housing award, and have family incomes of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets less than \$50,000.

As the cost of on-campus housing continues to rise across the state, Oakland University remains committed to making the residential experience affordable for students.

Factor in the savings you'll see in transportation and gas, and free amenities such as laundry, parking and wireless internet, and living on campus may be the smartest financial decision for you.



ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS AND NEED-BASED GRANTS FOR TRANSFERS

To be considered for scholarships, entering Fall 2025 transfer students must apply and submit all admission materials by **August 1, 2025**; entering Winter 2026 transfer students must apply and submit all admission materials by **December 1, 2025**; entering Summer 2026 transfer students must apply and submit all admission materials by **July 1, 2026**.

If you meet these deadlines, you will automatically be considered for OU scholarships and grants. Awards are based on your academic record, including GPA, at the time of application. International students are not eligible for scholarships, except where reflected. Students may only receive one academic merit scholarship (except the non-resident award, if applicable).

PRESIDENTIAL TRANSFER AWARD

\$10,000 FOR TWO YEARS (\$5,000 PER YEAR)

Awarded to new transfer students from a Michigan community college with a GPA of 3.8 or higher and 56 or more transferable credits. Note that 56 transferable credits must be earned by the scholarship deadline.

PHI THETA KAPPA AWARD

\$5,000 FOR TWO YEARS (\$2,500 PER YEAR)

Awarded to new community college transfer students with a GPA of 3.8 or above and 24 - 55 transferable credits, OR with a GPA of 3.5 - 3.79 and 24 or more transferable credits. Also awarded to new transfer students from a four-year college or university with a GPA of 3.5 or higher and 24 or more transferable credits. Note that 24 transferable credits must be earned by the scholarship deadline.

TALENTED TRANSFER AWARD

\$2,000 FOR TWO YEARS (\$1,000 PER YEAR)

Awarded to new transfer students with a college GPA of 3.0 - 3.49 and 24 or more transferable credits. Note that 24 credits must be earned by the scholarship deadline.

NON-RESIDENT AWARD

IN-STATE TUITION RATES FOR TWO YEARS

Awarded to transfer students with a college GPA of 2.5 or higher who are not Michigan residents and allows them to pay in-state tuition rates. Citizens and permanent residents of Canada and Mexico may also qualify. Note that 24 transferable credits must be earned by the scholarship deadline.

OU TRANSFER GRANT

\$4,000 FOR TWO YEARS (\$2,000 PER YEAR)

Awarded to new transfer students with family incomes of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets of less than \$50,000, and 24 or more transferable credits.

Eligible incoming transfer students who have financial need (as determined by completion of the FAFSA) and fulfill all financial aid requirements will automatically be considered for OU need-based grants.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT TRANSFER AWARDS

GPA	24 - 55 Credits	56+ Credits
3.8 - 4.0	Phi Theta Kappa Award \$2,500	Presidential Transfer Award \$5,000
3.5 - 3.79	Phi Theta Kappa Award \$2,500	Phi Theta Kappa Award \$2,500
3.0 - 3.49	Talented Transfer Award \$1,000	Talented Transfer Award \$1,000

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY STUDENT TRANSFER AWARDS

GPA	24+ Credits
3.5 - 4.0	Phi Theta Kappa Award \$2,500
3.0 - 3.49	Talented Transfer Award \$1,000

SCHOOL OF MUSIC, THEATRE AND DANCE AWARDS

Students in OU's School of Music, Theatre and Dance may also qualify for talent-based scholarships (awarded through audition). Applications for auditions are separate and in addition to the application to the university.

Please visit oakland.edu/smtd/admissions-and-auditions or contact the School of Music, Theatre and Dance for audition dates.

Students must apply online by March 1 for their desired program

music students: oakland.edu/smtd/music

theatre students: oakland.edu/smtd/theatre

dance students: oakland.edu/smtd/dance



QUESTIONS?

Visit oakland.edu/smtd

Email smtadmissions@oakland.edu

Phone (248) 370-2030



URBAN AND RURAL SCHOOLS VALEDICTORIAN AWARD FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

\$40,000 FOR FOUR YEARS (\$10,000 PER YEAR)

Certified valedictorians with at least a 3.5 high school GPA and a score of 1030 or higher on the SAT (ACT Composite score of 20 or higher) are automatically considered. Recipients do not qualify for other academic merit scholarship awards for first-year students (excluding the Geographic Region Award, if applicable).

To promote this commitment and to support the academic success of superior academic achievements, OU offers a scholarship award to eligible high school valedictorians graduating from identified Michigan public school districts and charter schools primarily serving low-income students.





OU ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Oakland University is proud to offer more than 300 annual endowed scholarships through academic and student service departments for admitted and current students. Beginning December 1, admitted and current students should complete the application to apply for OU annual scholarships to use in the next academic year. The application closes March 1.

Students can search available scholarships on oakland.edu year round and based on student information provided to OU, students can view scholarships for which they qualify. When students complete the application, the list of eligible scholarship matches expands based on the information provided on the application. oakland.edu/financialaid/available-financial-assistance

ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR LEGACY STUDENTS

The Oakland University Alumni Association (OUAA) offers the following scholarships to “legacy students” (immediate family as defined by grandparents, parents, siblings, son/daughter, spouse). These awards are not automatic. To be considered for OUAA scholarships, you must apply by **March 1, 2025** for the freshman award and **July 1, 2025** for the transfer award. For complete details and to apply, visit oakland.edu/alumni/awards.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

\$2,000 (ONE-TIME AWARD)

Entering first-year students legacy students with a high school GPA of 3.5 or higher are eligible to apply.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LEGACY TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

\$2,000 (ONE-TIME AWARD)

New transfer legacy students with a college GPA of 3.0 or higher, 24 or more transferable credits and have at least two years remaining in their undergraduate program are eligible to apply. Note 24 transferable credits must be earned by the fall semester following the award application deadline.

FINANCIAL AID TOOLS

Oakland University offers help in learning about, applying for, and understanding financial aid. To receive financial aid from any source, you must be admitted and enrolled at Oakland University.

All students must apply for admission to OU and are encouraged to use the Net Price Calculator (NPC) tool at oakland.edu/npc to obtain an estimate of OU's direct, billable charges (tuition and housing & food for on-campus residents) and indirect, non-billable expenses (the average cost of books, commuting, housing and food for off-campus living, and personal living expenses). The NPC results will also show an estimate of financial aid that may be available to you.

FINANCIAL AID EVENTS

The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships also offers events to get financial aid help. Students and families are encouraged to register for a Paying for College Presentation to learn more about the financial aid process, applying for aid, and the best tips for maximizing your financial aid opportunities. Beginning in the student's senior year of high school, student applicants and contributors to a FAFSA can get help completing the application during our FAFSA Workshops. Once you receive a financial aid offer, students can attend a Financial Aid Offer Workshop to get help understanding their aid and taking the next steps to confirm their attendance at Oakland University. The following pages contain the handouts for these events. Register to attend each event at oakland.edu/financialevnts.



APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID

Scholarships, grants, student employment funds (federal work-study), and loans are included in the term "financial aid." In order to be considered for financial aid available from Oakland University, the federal and State of Michigan governments, and private organizations and companies, you'll need to apply.

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

Complete the FAFSA in the student's senior year of high school and annually thereafter. Several sources of financial aid use the FAFSA to offer aid, including Oakland University, the federal government, and the State of Michigan.

MICHIGAN STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS (MISSG) STUDENT PORTAL

While most State of Michigan aid requires the FAFSA, there are additional applications for some of their aid in the MiSSG student portal. Once your first FAFSA has been processed (usually within 1-3 days of submission) students can visit Michigan.gov/missg to create their student portal account and view partial eligibility and apply for other State of MI aid, and manage their school of choice.

OU AID

Some OU scholarships and grants are offered automatically to incoming first-year and transfer students through the admissions process and when a FAFSA is processed by the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships. Additionally, OU Annual Scholarships are endowed scholarships offered through academic and student service departments, and require an annual single-profile application, available December 1 – March 1, to be completed by newly admitted and currently enrolled students.

PRIVATE AID

Private aid is generally considered aid received from a source other than the university, state or federal governments. Private aid can be scholarships from organizations, foundations, and/or businesses. Private loans can come from a bank, credit union, or other private lender of your choice.



PAYING FOR COLLEGE PRESENTATION OUTLINE

To view the presentation and download handouts, please visit oakland.edu/financialevnts

ELEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AID

FOUR TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID:

1. Scholarships – eligibility based on academic accomplishments
2. Grants – eligibility based on financial components
3. Student employment (federal work-study) – eligibility based on financial need
4. Loans – eligibility based on financial need (sub loan) and non-need based (unsub loan)

FOUR SOURCES OF FINANCIAL AID:

1. Federal government
2. State government
3. College or university
4. Private sources - orgs and companies

APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA):

- Each student and each contributor (biological/step/adoptive parent or student's spouse) in the household (unless married filing jointly) must create a studentaid.gov login (FSA ID) (click Create Account in the upper right) more than 24 hours ahead of completing the FAFSA.
- File FAFSA as soon as it is available in the senior year in high school and every year thereafter at studentaid.gov/fafsa.
- The Student Aid Index will measure a family or individual's ability to pay for college. SAI is used by colleges/universities to determine the federal financial assistance, with the exception of the Federal Pell Grant.
- Review the FAFSA Submission Summary after the FAFSA has been processed. Make any necessary corrections.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

- Each award requires the FAFSA.
- Students are encouraged to create an MiSSG Student Portal account once their first FAFSA has been processed (1-3 days after submission) at michigan.gov/missg.
- Access the MiSSG Student Portal to view your eligibility and apply for state aid and manage school selection.

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY (INSTITUTIONAL) AID

Check the college/university website for application and awarding processes, deadlines, and availability of funds.

PRIVATE SOURCES

- Private loans are available through any bank or private lender, but should be used as a very last resort
- Students should search and apply for private scholarships beginning in their senior year of high school until they graduate from college. These are scholarship searches Oakland University recommends:
 - bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search
 - fastweb.com
 - michigan.gov/mistudentaid/students-fams

NEXT STEPS

- Apply for private scholarships regularly
- Use the Net Price to get an estimated Cost of Attendance and estimated financial aid offer
- Create a studentaid.gov login for the student and each parent in the household - log into studentaid.gov regularly to prepare for the transition to college
- Set calendar reminders for every October 1 until you graduate from college
- Visit oakland.edu/financialevnts for more financial aid help

EMERGENCY FUNDS

OU has special assistance funds, including the Student Emergency Relief Fund, for students whose declining financial circumstances while in school have put their ability to continue attending college in jeopardy. If you have extenuating financial circumstances, contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships at (248) 370-2550 to discuss your options with an adviser.



LOG IN CREDENTIALS AND FAFSA WORKSHEET

STEP ONE

Create student and parent Log In credentials at studentaid.gov

Do not create Log In credentials for anyone but yourself. Do not use anyone else's Log In credentials or personal information as your own.

Email, phone, and username can be used interchangeably.

Student's Log In credentials (do not use school email):

Personal email _____ Username _____

Mobile number _____ Password _____

Contributor One's Log In credentials:

Personal email _____ Username _____

Mobile number _____ Password _____

Contributor Two's Log In credentials:

Personal email _____ Username _____

Mobile number _____ Password _____

STEP TWO

File the FAFSA when it becomes available each year. Note the following as you complete the FAFSA at: studentaid.gov/fafsa

- Use the tooltips available on the FAFSA for help in defining the answer or determining where to find the information
- Use the chat function available at studentaid.gov for live assistance as you apply
- Register for a virtual FAFSA Workshop hosted by Oakland University at oakland.edu/financialevnts
- Provide consent to use federal tax information on the FAFSA
- Provide electronic signatures to complete and submit the FAFSA

STEP THREE

Review Your FAFSA Submission Summary (FSS)

Within 3-5 days of submitting the FAFSA, the student will receive an email notification indicating the FSS is available to view on studentaid.gov. It contains all the answers provided to FAFSA and should be reviewed immediately. If there are any errors, login to studentaid.gov, make the necessary corrections, and resubmit the FAFSA.

Create your MiSSG account

at michigan.gov/mistudentaid/students-fams to view your eligibility for State of Michigan financial aid and manage your school selection.

Receive Your Financial Aid Offers

Colleges and universities where you've been admitted and sent your FAFSA will send comprehensive financial aid offers to students. Review the letter carefully and contact the financial aid office at that school with any questions. Visit our website, oakland.edu/financialevnts and click on the Financial Aid Offer Evaluation tab to download the worksheet.

Respond to Financial Aid Requirements

Once you have received your financial aid offer from a college or university, check your accounts at that school on a weekly basis at minimum and complete any requirements within the designated time period requested. Make sure your financial aid offer has been confirmed by completing all requirements at every school you're considering. Once you have decided where you will go to school, notify all financial aid offices at the other institutions you will not attend.

FINANCIAL AID OFFER WORKSHEET

Financial aid offers are based on an estimated cost of attendance, calculated by the college or university, which includes estimated billable/direct charges and estimated non-billable/indirect expenses you may have to pay for related to your education. While expenses vary depending on the level of enrollment and the lifestyle of the student, average costs are reflected in the estimated cost of attendance and used to determine the amount and type of financial assistance offered.

Use the Cost of Attendance and award information for each school you wish to evaluate. Enter the name of the school at the top of each column and fill in the information below to determine if your financial assistance will cover your billable charges and non-billable expenses.

	School 1	School 2	School 3
Estimated Billable Items			
Tuition and Fees			
On-Campus Housing and Food (enter 0 if living off-campus or with parents)			
Total Billable Items (A)			
Financial Aid			
Scholarships and Grants (college/federal/state)			
Federal Student Loans			
Total Financial Aid (B)			
A positive result (+) indicates a balance you will owe to the school by the payment due date. A negative result (-) indicates a refund of excess financial aid to help pay for non-billable items.	Total (A) - Total (B) = Total C		
Estimated Non-billable Items (based on the average student, your personal budget may be different)			
Books, Materials, Equipment and Supplies			
Personal Miscellaneous Expenses (including housing and general living expenses)			
Transportation			
Loan Fees			
Professional Licensure, Certification, Credential			
Total Non-Billable Items (D)			
Other Financial Aid (additional options to pay for billable and/or non-billable items)			
Parent PLUS Loan			
Private Student Loan			
Other Financial Resources			
Employment Wages (work-study or regular employment wages)			
MET/MESP/Other 529 Plans			
Personal Savings			
Other Financial Resources (E)			
Total (D) - Total (E) = Total F			
A positive result (+) indicates the need to adjust your budget, pay expenses out of savings, or find additional financial assistance in private scholarships or loans to pay for indirect expenses not covered by scholarships, grants, and student loans. A negative (-) result indicates an excess amount of financial aid and the need to consider reducing loans.			
Total (C) + Total (F) = Grand Total G			
The grand total represents your overall estimated costs and what your financial aid and other financial resources will pay. You may experience excess financial resources or the need to find additional resources or reduce your costs.			



TUITION AND OTHER COST ESTIMATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR

TUITION ESTIMATES

In-state and out-of-state with the Non-Resident Award¹

First-year students and sophomores \$15,262

Juniors and seniors \$16,920

International and out-of-state²

First-year students and sophomores \$23,188

Juniors and seniors \$23,635

1. Many students qualify for a scholarship that would cover the difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition. Citizens of Canada and Mexico may also qualify.
2. Students who plan to attend OU on a student visa (F-1) or an exchange visa (J-1).

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING ESTIMATE³

\$10,662

3. The cost reflects double occupancy on-campus housing and a meal plan for the year. For additional information, please visit oakland.edu/housing/cost.

BOOK ESTIMATE⁴

\$800

4. The cost of books, equipment, materials and supplies will vary depending on the course you take.

For more information about tuition or to estimate your total cost of attendance, visit oakland.edu/financialaid/costs/tuition-rates.

THE FINE PRINT

The University notifies students of scholarship awards through official scholarship award letters sent to students via United States mail. Oakland University reserves the right to make changes to award eligibility and renewal criteria.

ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

(Presidential Scholar Award, Distinguished Scholar Award, Talented Scholar Award, Academic Achievement Award, University Recognition Award, Geographic Region Award, Non-Resident Award)

Terms and Conditions

- Scholarship awards are based on the applicant's grade point average and highest SAT or ACT composite score (if applicable) at the time of admission to the university. Updated transcripts and/or test scores may be submitted for scholarship reconsideration through the scholarship deadline.
- Students do not apply for academic merit scholarships; recipients are independently chosen by the university. The university notifies students who are eligible and have been selected to receive one of the scholarships.
- Scholarships are available only to entering freshmen. "Entering freshmen" refers to students who are in college for the first time and enroll full time at OU. Students must apply to the university and submit all required materials (including transcripts and SAT or ACT scores) by the scholarship deadline.
- Scholarships are for the fall, winter and summer semesters in the single academic year designated by the university, not to exceed eight semesters total. Continuous full-time enrollment in OU undergraduate credits as an undergraduate student is required each fall and winter semester.
- Scholarship recipients are required to be enrolled as full-time students at the university. Advanced Placement (AP) exams, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, the College-Level Exam Program® (CLEP), credit for prior learning, transfer credit and/or course competency examinations do not count toward the full-time credits.
- OU offers and renews scholarships at its sole and absolute discretion; offers and renewals are contingent upon the availability of funds, continuation of the scholarship program and meeting renewal criteria.
- Half of the annual award is available each semester.
- The Geographic Region Award requires living on campus and full semester on-campus housing charges.
- The Non-Resident Award for freshmen requires living on campus for the full semester for the first two years. Students can live off campus for the third and fourth year.
- The total amount of Oakland University institutional awards and tuition waiver benefits cannot exceed the cost of tuition. The OU Housing Grant and the OU Geographic Region Award are not included in this limitation of OU awards and benefits.

Renewal Criteria

After the first year at OU, the university will renew scholarships annually for students who meet the following criteria:

- Students first entering OU in the fall semester must earn at least 28 Oakland University credits during their first fall and winter semesters. Students first entering OU in the winter semester must earn at least 14 Oakland University credits during their first semester. Students entering OU in the summer semester must earn at least 28 Oakland University credits during their first summer, fall and winter semesters. AP, IB, CLEP, transfer credits, credit for prior learning, non-matriculated credits and repeated courses will not be considered toward the 28 credits. After the first review for renewal of awards, students must year 24 credits in each fall and winter semester thereafter.
- Earn full-time credits each fall and winter semester, and summer if applicable, excluding repeated credits.
- Maintain a cumulative university GPA of 3.0 (except for the Non-Resident Award for which you must maintain a cumulative university GPA of 2.0). Maintain a cumulative university GPA of 3.5 for the Presidential Scholar Award. Presidential Scholar Award recipients whose cumulative GPA falls between 3.0 and 3.49 will be re-awarded the Distinguished Scholar Award and must meet all renewal criteria for that award.
- Meet the requirements of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (SAP).
- Students who enroll full-time during the summer semester can receive the award if all renewal criteria are met after the winter semester. Receipt of the award during a summer semester is applicable to the maximum allowable semesters for renewal. Students must complete full-time credits and maintain the award GPA requirements to receive the award in the upcoming fall semester.

URBAN AND RURAL SCHOOLS VALEDICTORIAN AWARD

Terms and Conditions

- Scholarship awards are based on the applicant's grade point average and highest SAT or ACT composite score at the time of application to the university.
- Scholarships are available only to entering freshmen. "Entering freshmen" refers to students who are in college for the first time and enroll full time at OU.
- High school principals in identified public urban school districts will be asked to provide the name of the graduating senior valedictorian. The university will notify the student once eligibility and certification is determined.
- In order to qualify for the award, the student valedictorian must have a 3.5 cumulative high school GPA and a score of 1030 or higher on the SAT (ACT score of 20 or higher).
- Scholarships are for the fall, winter and summer semesters in the single academic year designated by the university, not to exceed eight semesters total. Continuous full-time enrollment in OU undergraduate credits as an undergraduate student is required each fall and winter semester.
- Scholarship recipients are required to be enrolled as full-time students at the university. Advanced Placement (AP) exams, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, the College-Level Exam Program® (CLEP), credit for prior learning, transfer credit and/or course competency examinations do not count toward the full-time credits.
- OU offers and renews scholarships at its sole and absolute discretion; offers and renewals are contingent upon the availability of funds and continuation of the scholarship program and meeting renewal criteria.
- Half of the annual award is available each semester.
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- Maintain a cumulative university GPA of 3.0.
- Enroll full time at the university during any semester the award is received.
- Earn full-time credits each fall and winter semester, and summer if applicable, excluding repeated credits.
- Meet the requirements of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (SAP).
- Students who enroll full-time during the summer semester can receive the award if all renewal criteria are met after the winter semester. Receipt of the award during a summer semester is applicable to the maximum allowable semesters for renewal. Students must earn full-time credits and maintain the award GPA requirements to receive the award in the upcoming fall semester.
- Complete full-time credits each fall and winter semester, and summer if applicable, excluding repeated credits.

LEGACY AWARD FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Terms and Conditions

- Awards are offered through the Oakland University Alumni Association's Scholarship Program.
- Scholarship eligibility is based on legacy status (immediate family as defined by grandparents, parents, siblings, son/daughter, spouse). Alumni status must be conferred at the time of application. Eligibility is also based on the applicant's grade point average and ACT or SAT composite score at the time of application to the university.
- Students must apply for the award; recipients are selected by an alumni committee and notified by the Office of Alumni Engagement.
- Awards are available to entering freshmen, defined as students who are in college for the first time and enroll full time at OU in the first fall semester immediately following high school graduation.
- Students may use scholarships for the fall and winter semesters in the single academic year designated by the university, not to exceed eight semesters total. Continuous full-time enrollment in OU undergraduate credits as an undergraduate student is required each fall and winter semester.
- Scholarship recipients are required to be enrolled as full-time students at the university. Advanced Placement (AP) exams, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, the College-Level Exam Program (CLEP) transfer credit and/or course competency examinations do not count toward the full-time credits.
- OU offers scholarships at its sole and absolute discretion; offers are contingent upon the availability of funds and continuation of the scholarship program.
- Half of the annual award is available each semester.
- The total amount of Oakland University institutional awards and tuition waiver benefits cannot exceed the cost of tuition. The OU Housing Grant and the OU Geographic Region Award are not included in this limitation of OU awards and benefits.

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Terms and Conditions

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- Students must apply for the award; recipients are selected by an alumni committee and notified by the Office of Alumni Engagement.
- Scholarships apply only to the fall and winter semesters in the single academic year designated by the university, and are available only to new transfer students who enroll full time in OU undergraduate credits as an undergraduate student in their first semester of admission.
- Continuous full-time enrollment in OU credits is required each fall and winter semester.
- Scholarship recipients are required to be enrolled as full-time students at the university. Advanced Placement (AP) exams, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, the College-Level Exam Program (CLEP) transfer credit and/or course competency examinations do not count toward the full-time credits.
- OU offers scholarships at its sole and absolute discretion; offers are contingent upon the availability of funds and continuation of the scholarship program.
- Half of the annual award is available each semester.
- The total amount of Oakland University institutional awards and tuition waiver benefits cannot exceed the cost of tuition.
- The OU Housing Grant and the OU Geographic Region Award are not included in this limitation of OU awards and benefits.

FINANCIAL NEED-BASED GRANT FOR TRANSFERS

(OU Transfer Grant)

Terms and Conditions

- Students who are admitted to the university, complete the FAFSA and all financial aid requirements, will automatically be considered for the OU Transfer Grant. The university notifies students who have been selected to receive the OU Transfer Grant. Students must have a family income of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets of less than \$50,000.
- Grants are based on the applicant's number of earned credits at the time of admission to the university.
- Students may use grants for the fall, winter and summer semesters in the single academic year designated by the university, not to exceed four semesters total. Continuous full-time enrollment in OU undergraduate credits as an undergraduate student is required each fall and winter semester.
- Grant recipients are required to be enrolled as full-time students at the university. Advanced Placement (AP) exams, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, the College-Level Exam Program (CLEP), transfer credit, repeated credits, credit for prior learning, and/or course competency examinations do not count toward the full-time credits.
- OU offers and renews grants at its sole and absolute discretion; offers and renewals are contingent upon the availability of funds, continuation of the grant program and meeting renewal criteria.
- Half of the annual award is available each semester.
- The total amount of Oakland University institutional awards and tuition waiver benefits cannot exceed the cost of tuition.

Renewal Criteria

The university will renew grants annually, up to a maximum of two continuous fall and winter semesters, for students who meet the following criteria:

- Earn full-time credits each fall and winter semester, and summer if applicable, excluding repeated credits.
- Continue to enroll full-time at the university during consecutive fall and winter semesters for which they receive the scholarship.
- Documented financial need by annual completion of the FAFSA and fulfilled all financial aid requirements by July 1. The OU Transfer Grant requires family incomes of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets of less than \$50,000.
- Maintain a cumulative university GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- Meet the requirements of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (SAP).
- Students who enroll full-time during the summer semester can receive the award if all renewal criteria are met after the winter semester. Receipt of the award during a summer semester is applicable to the maximum allowable semesters for renewal. Students must meet complete full-time credits and maintain the award GPA requirements to receive the award in the upcoming fall semester.



FINANCIAL NEED-BASED GRANTS FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

(Housing Grant, Golden Guarantee)

Terms and Conditions

- Students who are admitted to the university, complete the FAFSA and all financial aid requirements, and are eligible for the Michigan Achievement Scholarship, will automatically be considered for the Golden Guarantee. The university notifies students who have been selected to receive the Golden Guarantee. Students must have a family income of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets of less than \$50,000.
- Students who are admitted to the university and complete the FAFSA and all financial aid requirements will automatically be considered for the OU Housing Grant. The university notifies students who have been selected to receive the OU Housing Grant. Students must have a family income of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets of less than \$50,000.
- Grants are based on the applicant's grade point average at the time of admission to the university.
- Grants are available only to entering freshmen who are Michigan residents. "Entering freshmen" refers to students who are in college for the first time and enroll full time at OU.
- Students may use grants for the fall, winter and summer semesters in the single academic year designated by the university, not to exceed eight semesters total. Continuous full-time enrollment in OU undergraduate credits as an undergraduate student is required each fall and winter semester.
- Grant recipients are required to be enrolled as full-time students at the university. Advanced Placement (AP) exams, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, the College-Level Exam Program (CLEP), transfer credit, repeated credits, credit for prior learning and/or course competency examinations do not count toward the full-time credits.
- OU offers and renews grants at its sole and absolute discretion; offers and renewals are contingent upon the availability of funds, continuation of the grant program and meeting renewal criteria.
- The OU Housing Grant and the Geographic Region Award require living on campus and full semester on-campus housing charges.
- Half of the annual award is available each semester.
- The total amount of Oakland University institutional awards and tuition waiver benefits cannot exceed the cost of tuition. The OU Housing Grant and the OU Geographic Region Award are not included in this limitation of OU awards and benefits.

Renewal Criteria

The university will renew scholarships annually for students who meet the following criteria:

- Earn at least 28 Oakland University credits during the fall and winter semester of their first fall and winter semester (AP, IB, CLEP, transfer credits, credit for prior learning and repeated courses will not be considered toward the 28 credits), and 24 credits each year thereafter.
- Earn full-time credits each fall and winter semester, and summer if applicable, excluding repeated credits.
- Documented financial need by annual completion of the FAFSA and fulfill all financial aid requirements by July 1. The Golden Guarantee requires the continuation of receipt of the Michigan Achievement Scholarship and family incomes of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets of less than \$50,000. The OU Housing Grant requires family incomes of less than or equal to \$70,000 and family assets of less than \$50,000.
- Maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher for the OU Housing grant. The Golden Guarantee requires a GPA of 2.0.
- Meet the requirements of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (SAP).
- Students who enroll full-time during the summer semester can receive the award if all renewal criteria are met after the winter semester. Receipt of the award during a summer semester is applicable to the maximum allowable semesters for renewal. Students must meet complete full-time credits and maintain the award GPA requirements to receive the award in the upcoming fall semester.

ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TRANSFERS

(Presidential Transfer Award, Talented Transfer Award, Non-Resident Award, Phi Theta Kappa Award)

Terms and Conditions

- Scholarship awards are based on the applicant's college grade point average and number of earned credits at the time of application to the university.
- Students do not apply for academic merit scholarships; recipients are independently chosen by the university. The university notifies students who are eligible and have been selected to receive one of the scholarships.
- Scholarships are for the fall, winter and summer semesters in the single academic year designated by the university and are only available to new transfer students who enroll full-time at OU in their first semester of admission. Eligibility is not to exceed four semesters total and requires continuous full-time enrollment in OU undergraduate credits as an undergraduate student is required each fall and winter semester.
- Scholarship recipients are required to be enrolled as full-time students at the university. Advanced Placement exams, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, the College-Level Exam Program® (CLEP), transfer credit, repeated credits, credit for prior learning and/or course competency examinations do not count toward the full-time credits.
- OU offers and renews scholarships at its sole and absolute discretion; offers and renewals are contingent upon the availability of funds and continuation of the scholarship program.
- Transfer students who wish to be considered for transfer awards must submit all admission application materials, including transcripts, by August 1, 2024 for fall 2024, December 1, 2024, for winter 2025, or July 1, 2025 for Summer 2025.
- Half of the annual award is available each semester.
- The total amount of Oakland University institutional awards and tuition waiver benefits cannot exceed the cost of tuition.

Renewal Criteria

The university will renew scholarships annually for students who meet the following criteria:

- Maintain a minimum cumulative university GPA of 3.0 (except for the Non-Resident Award for which you must maintain a cumulative university GPA of 2.0). Maintain a minimum cumulative university GPA of 3.5 for the Presidential Transfer Award.
- Continue to enroll full time at the university during consecutive fall and winter semesters for which they receive the scholarship.
- Earn full-time credits each fall and winter semester, and summer, if applicable, excluding repeated credits.
- Meet the requirements of Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Policy.
- Students who enroll full-time during the summer semester can receive the award if all renewal criteria are met after the winter semester. Receipt of the award during a summer semester is applicable to the maximum allowable semesters for renewal. Students must meet the complete full-time credits and maintain the award GPA requirements to receive the award in the upcoming fall semester.



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