



- Pays the difference between in- and out-of-state tuition
- Additional application and documentation required
- Undocumented Michigan residents
- Renewable

The First Step Scholars Program is a scholarship designed to help undocumented residents of Michigan earn a bachelor's degree. This award requires an additional application to be filed with the Office of Admissions. The additional application will be mailed to you once the admission application is received.

Criteria for selection include:

- First-time undergraduate degree-seeking student entering WMU in the 2009-10 academic year
- Graduating from a Michigan high school OR graduated from a Michigan high school transferring to WMU from a Michigan community college
- An undocumented Michigan resident, or the child of an undocumented resident, who paid state taxes for the last two consecutive years (2007 and 2008)
- Complete admission application file (application, high school transcript and ACT/SAT scores OR community college transcript and application fee) received in the Office of Admissions

- Admissible to WMU

- Complete additional application

The First Step Scholars award can be renewed until graduation requirements are met.

Criteria for renewal include:

- Continue to enroll in a minimum of six credits each fall and spring semester at WMU
- Maintain a cumulative WMU GPA of 2.0

A student who receives this award still may be eligible to receive an additional scholarship for first-time students.

For questions and to obtain a First Step Scholarship Application, **contact the Office of Admissions, (269) 387-2000.**