

Higher Education

The Higher Education budget provides operating support to the state's 15 public universities and also funds student financial aid programs. *The Governor's proposed budget for fiscal year 2011 recommends total funding of nearly \$1.6 billion, of which over \$1.5 billion is general fund.*

Highlights of Governor's Budget Recommendation for Higher Education

- Total funding of nearly \$1.5 billion is provided for university operations to maintain support for each state university at the fiscal year 2010 level. Current year federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding is replaced with general fund revenues.

- Funding for the Agricultural Experiment Station and the Cooperative Extension Service is continued at \$34.2 million and \$29.5 million respectively.

- Funding for the Michigan Promise Grants was not included in the current year budget. The Governor believes that Michigan must continue to help our young adults defray the costs of college. Therefore, the Governor is recommending that Michigan Promise be restructured as an income tax credit targeted to students who attain a degree and work in Michigan.

State University Operations (\$ in Thousands)	FY 2011
Michigan State University	\$291,841.7
University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	325,347.4
Wayne State University	220,329.2
Central Michigan University	82,436.0
Eastern Michigan University	78,212.1
Ferris State University	50,017.1
Grand Valley State University	63,758.3
Lake Superior State University	13,059.2
Michigan Technological University	49,302.1
Northern Michigan University	46,438.2
Oakland University	52,220.8
Saginaw Valley State University	28,517.7
University of Michigan - Dearborn	25,437.1
University of Michigan - Flint	21,498.9
Western Michigan University	112,766.8
Total	\$1,461,182.6

- The Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) is allocated \$30.1 million. To control rising costs, the Governor recommends capping reimbursement for tuition costs and targeting funds to students attaining an associate degree.
- In order to consolidate administration of scholarship programs in a single agency, funding for the Officer's Survivor Tuition Program is transferred to the Higher Education budget and administrative responsibilities are transferred to the Department of Treasury.
- The State Competitive Scholarship program, available for students attending both public and private colleges, is retained at the current year spending level of \$16.2 million.
- Funding of Tuition Grants for students attending private colleges is eliminated.

**Fiscal Year 2011 Governor's Recommendation
Higher Education
(\$ in Thousands)**

	FY10 Current Law	FY11 Recommendation
GF/GP	\$1,507,705.2	\$1,543,378.5
All Funds	\$1,612,243.3	\$1,578,278.5
	% Change - GF/GP	2.4%
	% Change - All Funds	-2.1%

Programs	GF/GP	All Funds
State University Operations	\$1,461,182.6	\$1,461,182.6
Agricultural Experiment Station	\$34,198.9	\$34,198.9
Tuition Incentive Program	\$0.0	\$30,100.0
Cooperative Extension Service	\$29,497.0	\$29,497.0
State Competitive Scholarships	\$14,708.5	\$16,208.5
King-Chavez-Parks Programs	\$2,691.5	\$2,691.5
Project GEAR-UP	\$0.0	\$1,500.0
Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program	\$0.0	\$1,500.0
Children of Veterans and Officer's Survivor Grants	\$900.0	\$1,200.0
Higher Education Database	\$105.0	\$105.0
Midwestern Higher Education Compact	\$95.0	\$95.0
Total FY 2011 Recommendation	\$1,543,378.5	\$1,578,278.5