



# HIGHER EDUCATION ACCESS FOR VETERANS IN MICHIGAN

MICU BRIEFING

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## ABOUT THIS REPORT

**The higher education community in Michigan is not serving veterans at the same rate as other states, with fewer veterans in Michigan enrolling in and obtaining baccalaureate and graduate degrees. Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities are working to reverse this trend.**

This briefing document outlines the uptake of higher education for veterans at colleges and universities in Michigan compared to the nation. Analysis within the report focuses on Michigan's independent, non-profit higher education institutions. Data referenced within the report comes from a variety of sources including; the Integrated Postsecondary Educational Data System (IPEDS), the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the American Community Survey, and the Michigan Department of Treasury.

## ABOUT MICU

Michigan Independent Colleges & Universities (MICU), represents Michigan's non-profit independent colleges and universities. As the voice of independent, non-profit higher education institutions in Michigan, we increase awareness of the impact MICU members have on higher education and the economy. With more than 114,000 students at our institutions, Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities educate approximately 15 percent of all college students in the state.

## MICU'S MISSION

MICU promotes the contributions of independent, non-profit higher education institutions to the state of Michigan by enhancing awareness among policymakers, providing value to members, and expanding financial aid opportunities for Michigan's students. MICU serves its members through advocacy, government relations, public policy development and promotion, and member services.

## FINDINGS

**1. Higher education attainment in Michigan is lower and slower growing among veterans compared to both the national average for veterans and the state average attainment rate for non-veterans.**

*In Michigan, nearly 21 percent of veterans have a bachelor's degree or higher while nearly 28 percent of the national veteran population holds a bachelor's degree or higher. Michigan's non-veteran population has a slightly higher than 28 percent attainment rate, similar to the national veteran attainment rate and substantially higher than the veteran attainment rate in the state.*

**2. Michigan's veterans enroll in higher education programs at the baccalaureate level or higher at less than half the rate of veterans nationally.**

*In Michigan, 2.6 percent of the veteran population is enrolled in a baccalaureate or graduate higher education program using veterans' education benefits. Nationally, 5.7 percent of the veteran population is enrolled using these benefits.*

**3. Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities do more for veterans than other institutions and have a strong and growing presence of veterans as a result.**

*In 2015, 39 percent of veterans enrolled in baccalaureate programs in Michigan were enrolled at independent, non-profit colleges and universities. These students represent 2.4 percent of the undergraduate student body at Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities. Veteran enrollment is increasing at Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities. Between 2014 and 2015, the number of veterans enrolled at MICU member institutions increased by 21 percent.*

2,069

veterans enrolled at Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges & universities in 2015

21%

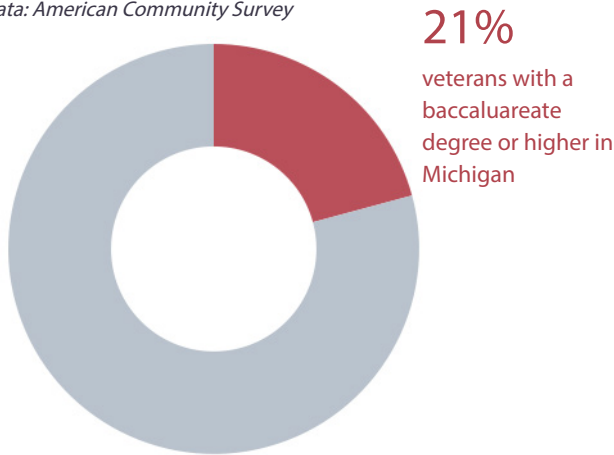
growth in veteran enrollment at MICU member institutions between 2014 and 2015

# EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF VETERANS IN MICHIGAN

Educational attainment, defined as holding a baccalaureate degree or higher, is lower for veterans in Michigan than in the U.S. on average. In Michigan, 20.8 percent of veterans hold a bachelor's degree or higher while nationally, this figure is 27.7 percent.

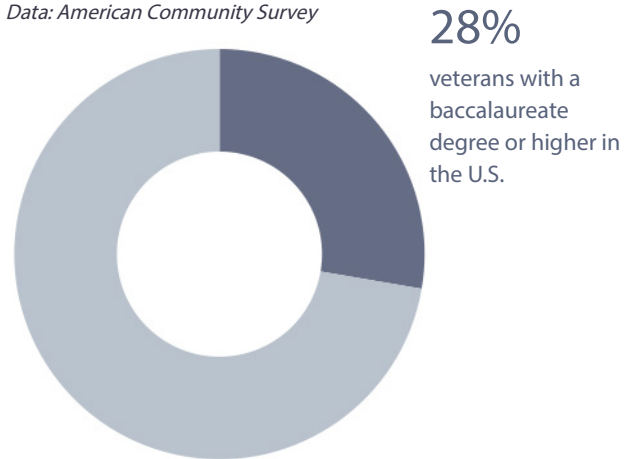
Share of Michigan Veterans with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher, 2015

Data: American Community Survey



Share of Veterans Nationally with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher, 2015

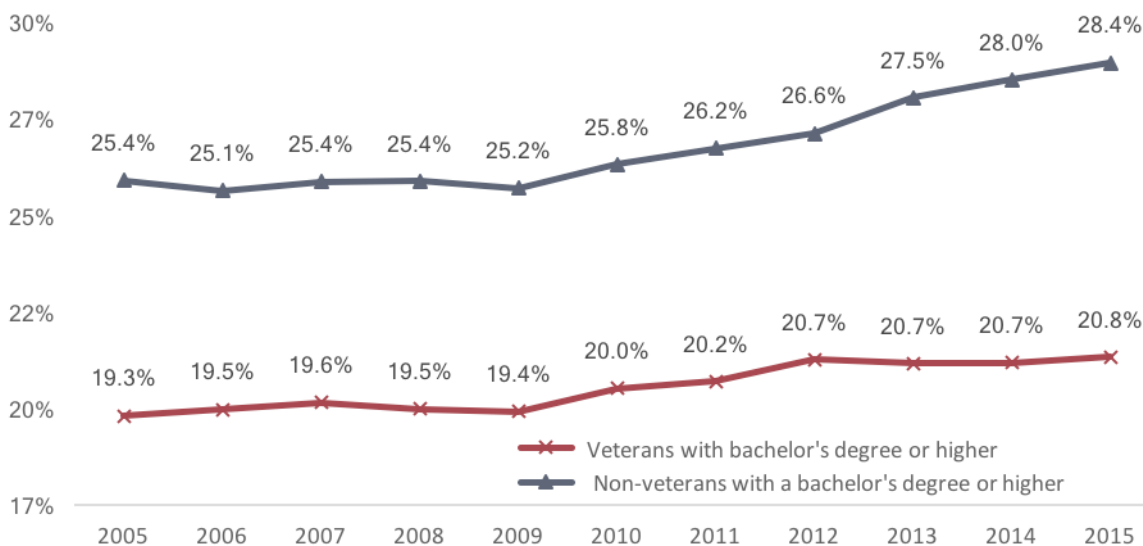
Data: American Community Survey



In Michigan, veterans have a lower attainment rate than the adult population overall. The share of veterans in Michigan with a four-year degree or more rose modestly between 2005 and 2015, increasing only 1.5 percentage points. Educational attainment of the civilian population increased by nearly three percentage points during this same time. Attainment grew for veterans nationally at double the rate of veterans in Michigan. Between 2010 and 2015, educational attainment for veterans in Michigan increased 0.8 percentage points, from 20.0 to 20.8 percent, while nationally attainment for veterans increased 1.8 percentage points, from 25.9 percent to 27.7 percent. Michigan is a low educational attainment state with lower overall educational attainment than the nation.

Educational Attainment Growth in Michigan Population Aged 25+

Data: American Community Survey



>3% pts.

increased in overall educational attainment in Michigan

>1.5% pts.

increase in veteran educational attainment in Michigan

# VETERAN ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION IN MICHIGAN

Veterans in Michigan are not using federal education benefits as much as other veterans do across the rest of the nation. In Michigan, only 2.6 percent of the veteran population is enrolled in higher education using education benefits such as a G.I. Bill. Nationally, 5.7 percent of the veteran population is enrolled in higher education using these benefits.

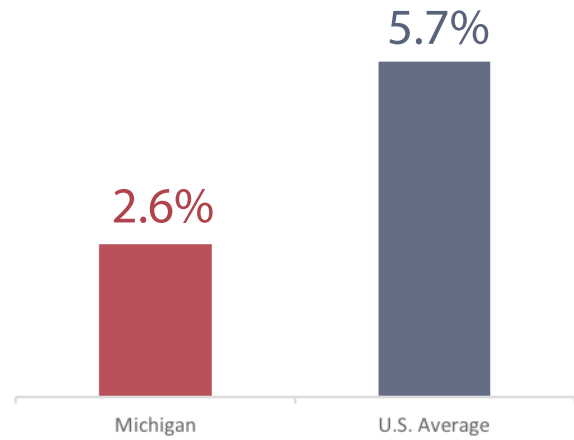
In Michigan, 16,124 veterans were enrolled in higher education programs using federal veterans' education benefits as of 2015. This includes two-year programs, four-year program, workforce training above the high school level, and graduate school.

## ENROLLMENT IN INDEPENDENT, NON-PROFIT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

In 2015, 2,069 post-9/11 veterans were enrolled in Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities. Of these, 1,872 were undergraduate students, representing 2.4 percent of the total independent college undergraduate student population in Michigan. Public universities enrolled 2,990 post-9/11 veterans in undergraduate programs, representing 1.3 percent of the public university undergraduate population.

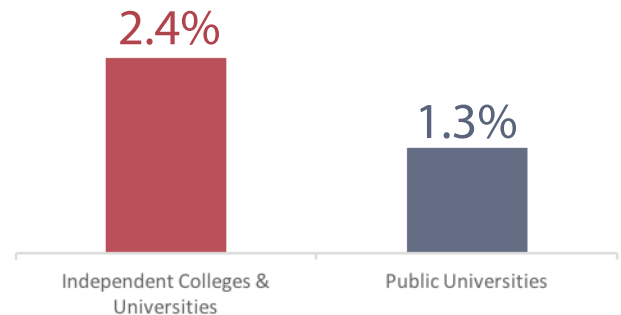
### Veteran Education Benefit Uptake, 2015

Data: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 2015 Education Benefits Report



### Post-9/11 Veteran Share of Undergraduate Enrollment in Michigan, 2015

Data: IPEDS



2.4%

veteran share of total undergraduate enrollment at MICU member institutions

1,872

veteran undergraduate enrollment at MICU member institutions

22

number of MICU member institutions participating in the Yellow Ribbon program for veterans

\$2,491

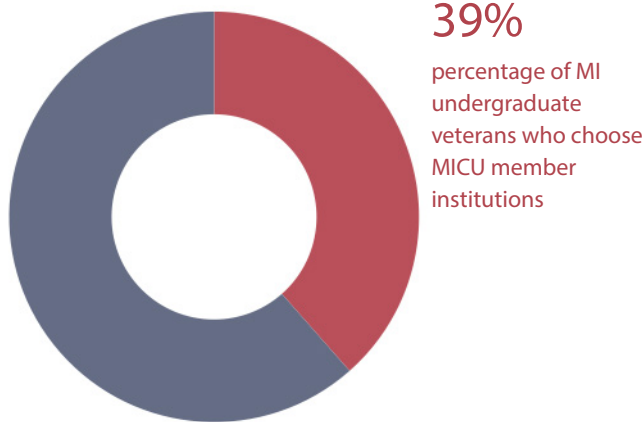
amount of federal funds saved per veteran student when G.I. Bill benefits are used at an independent, non-profit institution in Michigan

## 4 OUT OF 10 UNDERGRADUATE VETERANS CHOOSE INDEPENDENT COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES



### Share of Undergraduate Veterans at Michigan Independent, Non-profit Colleges & Universities 2015

Data: IPEDS

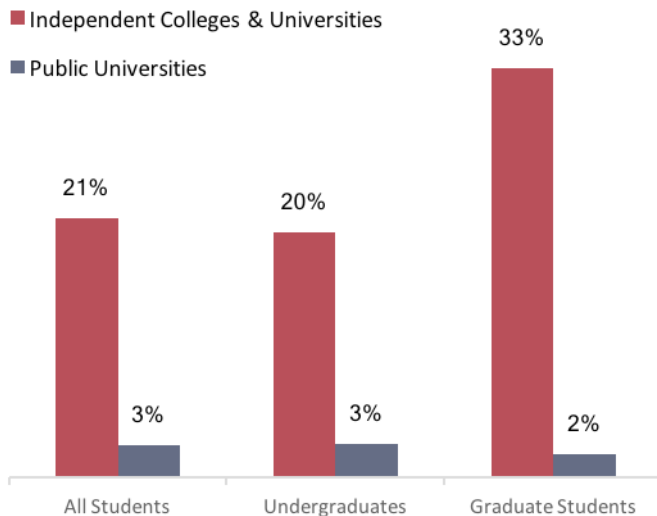


In 2015, 39 percent of veterans enrolled in baccalaureate programs in Michigan chose to attend independent, non-profit colleges and universities. Compared to all students, veterans in Michigan are choosing MICU member institutions at a higher rate than public universities. Nationally, 35 percent of veterans in baccalaureate programs choose independent, non-profit colleges and universities.

**Michigan's independent institutions enroll a larger share of veterans than both their peers nationally and Michigan's public universities.**

### Growth in Post-9/11 Veteran Enrollment, Michigan 2014-2015

Data: IPEDS



**Michigan's veteran enrollment in higher education is positive while the national trend is declining. Enrollment is strong for Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities.**

Veteran enrollment in Michigan's independent, non-profit institutions is also increasing rapidly. Between 2014 and 2015, veteran enrollment increased by 21 percent. Veteran enrollment in Michigan's public universities increased by two percent during this same timeframe. Between 2014 and 2015, veteran enrollment in four-degree programs and graduate programs declined by two percent nationally.

In 2015, an estimated 300 veterans completed baccalaureate degrees through Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities. Approximately 80 percent of graduates from MICU member institutions stay in Michigan after graduation. Applying this percentage to veterans shows that an estimated 240 veterans complete baccalaureate degrees each year at MICU member institutions and stay in the state of Michigan.

**33%**

growth in veteran graduate students enrolled in Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges & universities between 2014 and 2015

**300**

estimated number of baccalaureate degrees awarded to veterans by MICU member institutions in 2015

# STUDENT AID FOR VETERANS IN MICHIGAN

To combat the low rate higher education benefits uptake by veterans in Michigan, Michigan's independent, non-profit institutions are creating special programs to attract and retain student veterans. In addition, veterans in Michigan are eligible to receive both merit and need-based grants and scholarships from the State of Michigan. During the 2016 fiscal year, 902 students in Michigan's student grants and scholarships system had veteran status. This number increased to 915 during fiscal 2017.

**The share of veterans awarded state grants and scholarships attending independent institutions increased from 23 percent to 45 percent.**

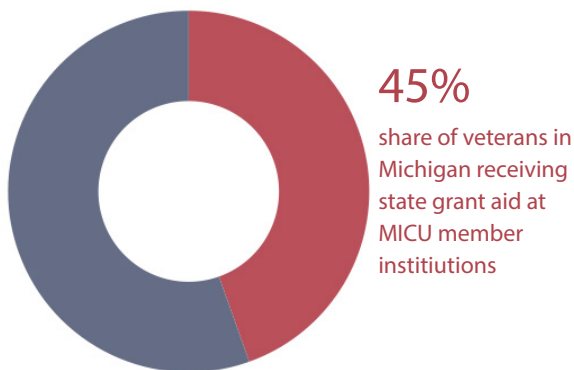
Post-9/11 veteran students at Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges & universities are less subsidized by federal G.I. Bill funds than veterans enrolled at public universities. The average veteran at an independent institution in Michigan received \$7,672 in federal G.I. Bill grants in 2015, while the average veteran at a public institution received \$10,163. Private, non-profit institutions provide a greater amount of institutional aid to support veterans and all students, with an average institutional grant per student of \$10,518.

**While veterans at independent institutions receive less federal support, the institutions themselves provide more funding and veteran-focused programming to ensure student success.**

A 2015 report from Gallup in 2015 "How Higher Education is Serving Veterans", based on a survey of veteran graduates, found that private, non-profit higher education institutions understand the unique needs of military service members and veterans more than public universities and community colleges.

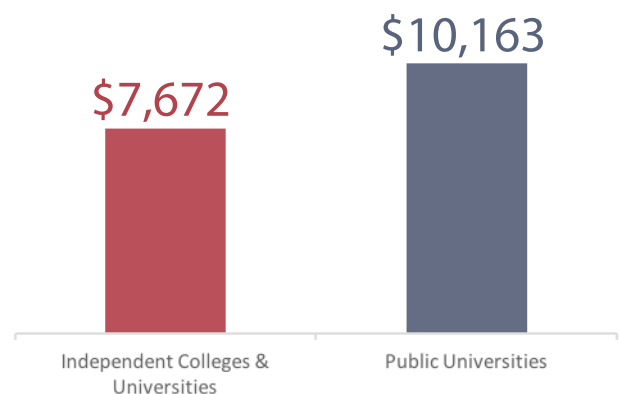
Share of Student Veterans in Michigan Receiving Michigan Grants & Scholarships

Data: Student Scholarships & Grants, Michigan Department of Treasury



Average G.I. Bill Veteran Grant, 2015

Data: IPEDS



## YELLOW RIBBON & VETERAN FOCUSED PROGRAMMING

All 25 of Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges & universities either: (i) provide special access, tuition rates, and programming for veteran students, or (ii) participate in the national Yellow Ribbon program. Of Michigan's 25 independent, non-profit colleges & universities:

- 22 participate in the Yellow Ribbon program
- 22 have a dedicated contact focused on veterans and provide special tuition rates
- Nine have a recognized student veteran organization on campus

Michigan's independent, non-profit colleges and universities offer a full range of degree levels from baccalaureate to doctoral, with eight institutions offering doctoral degrees to Yellow Ribbon participants. Part of the Yellow Ribbon program includes a tuition contribution from the sponsoring institution. In Michigan, some independent institutions provide as much as \$20,000 per student veteran per year. Nine of the 22 MICU institutions participating in the Yellow Ribbon program do not cap the number of students accepted/enrolled through the program.

See Tables 1 and 2 at the end of this briefing for more information about the programs and funds available to veterans in Michigan.



**Table 1: Michigan Independent Colleges & Universities: Veteran Students & Services Data (2015-2016)**

| Institution  | Institution County | Percentage of the local county population with veterans status | Dedicated point of contact for support services for veterans military servicemembers and their families 2015 | Recognized student veteran organization on campus | Yellow Ribbon Program Participation* | Veterans and Military Servicemembers tuition policies web address                         |
|--|--------------------|--|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| Adrian College   | Lenawee County     | 10%  | ✓  | ✓   | ✓                                    | adrian.edu/admissions/financial-aid/va-benefits/  |
| Albion College   | Calhoun County     | 11%  | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.albion.edu/admission/military-veterans  |
| Alma College   | Gratiot County     | 9%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | alma.edu/admissions/military-veterans.php   |
| Andrews University                                       | Berrien County     | 9%   | ✓  |   |                                      | www.andrews.edu/future/financing/sidebar/veterans_affairs.html                            |
| Aquinas College  | Kent County        | 7%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.aquinas.edu/financial-aid/traditional-students/other-assistance                       |
| Baker College  | Genesee County     | 8%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.baker.edu/admissions/military-friendly/#military-tuition-financial-aid                |
| Calvin College   | Kent County        | 7%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.calvin.edu/finaid/resources/military-benefits.html                                    |
| Cleary University  | Livingston County  | 8%   |  | ✓   | ✓                                    | www.cleary.edu/undergraduate/veterans/index.aspx  |
| College for Creative Studies                             | Wayne County       | 7%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    |   |
| Concordia University-Ann Arbor                           | Washtenaw County   | 5%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.cuaa.edu/admissions/military/index.html   |
| Cornerstone University                                   | Kent County        | 7%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | cornerstone.edu/veterans-benefits   |
| Davenport University                                     | Kent County        | 7%   | ✓  | ✓   | ✓                                    | www.davenport.edu/veterans/education-benefits   |
| Finlandia University                                     | Houghton County    | 10%  | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.finlandia.edu/veterans-benefits   |
| Hope College   | Ottawa County      | 7%   | ✓  |   | ✓                                    |   |
| Kalamazoo College  | Kalamazoo County   | 7%   |  |   | ✓                                    |   |
| Kettering University                                     | Genesee County     | 8%   |  |   | ✓                                    | https://www.kettering.edu/academics/academic-resources/office-registrar/veterans-benefits |
| Lawrence Technological University                        | Oakland County     | 7%   | ✓  | ✓   | ✓                                    | www.ltu.edu/financial_aid/military_veterans.asp   |
| Madonna University                                       | Wayne County       | 7%   | ✓  | ✓   | ✓                                    | www.madonna.edu/admissions/undergraduate-students/veterans                                |
| Marygrove College  | Wayne County       | 7%   | ✓  |   |                                      | www.marygrove.edu/current-students/financial-aid/veterans.html                            |
| Northwood University-Michigan                            | Midland County     | 8%   | ✓  | ✓   | ✓                                    | www.northwood.edu/admissions/military-veterans.aspx                                       |
| Olivet College   | Eaton County       | 9%   | ✓  | ✓   |                                      | www.olivetcollege.edu/military-veteran-students   |
| Siena Heights University                                 | Lenawee County     | 10%  | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.sienaheights.edu/Admissions/MilitaryVeterans.aspx                                     |
| Spring Arbor University                                  | Jackson County     | 10%  | ✓  |   | ✓                                    | www.arbor.edu/military/militarydiscount/  |
| University of Detroit Mercy                              | Wayne County       | 7%   | ✓  | ✓   | ✓                                    | www.udmercy.edu/registrar/veterans/   |
| Walsh College of Accountancy and Business Administration | Oakland County     | 7%   | ✓  | ✓   | ✓                                    | www.walshcollege.edu/veterans   |

\*Additional Yellow Ribbon Data can be found in Table 2

Data: IPEDS, American Community Survey, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Analysis: Michigan Independent Colleges & Universities (MICU)

| Dedicated point of contact for support services for veterans military servicemembers and their families 2015 | Recognized student veteran organization on campus | Yellow Ribbon Program Participation* |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| 22   | 9   | 22                                   |



**Table 2: Yellow Ribbon Program Participating Institutions in Michigan, 2015-2016**

| Institution Category         | Name of Institution in Yellow Ribbon Program | Location         | Degree Level  | Division or School                   | Number of Veteran Students Allowed Through Program | Max School Contribution Amt. if capped (Per Student/Per Year) |
|------------------------------|--|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Adrian College                               | Adrian           | Undergraduate | All                                  | Unlimited  | \$20,000  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Albion College                               | Albion           | Undergraduate | All                                  | Unlimited  | \$20,000  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Alma College                                 | Alma             | Undergraduate | All                                  | Unlimited  | \$10,000  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Aquinas College                              | Grand Rapids     | All           | All                                  | 50   | \$1,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Allen Park       | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Allen Park       | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Allen Park       | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Auburn Hills     | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Auburn Hills     | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Auburn Hills     | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Cadillac         | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Cadillac         | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Cadillac         | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Clinton Township | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Clinton Township | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Clinton Township | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Clinton Township | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Clinton Township | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Flint            | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Flint            | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Jackson          | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Jackson          | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Jackson          | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Muskegon         | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Muskegon         | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Muskegon         | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Owosso           | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Owosso           | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Owosso           | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Port Huron       | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Port Huron       | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Port Huron       | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Flint            | Undergraduate | All                                  | 5000   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Flint            | Graduate      | All                                  | 1500   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Baker College                                | Flint            | Doctoral      | All                                  | 500  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Calvin College                               | Grand Rapids     | All           | All                                  | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Cleary University                            | Howell           | Undergraduate | All                                  | 20   | \$2,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Cleary University                            | Howell           | Graduate      | All                                  | 10   | \$2,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | College for Creative Studies                 | Detroit          | Undergraduate | All                                  | 20   | \$15,000  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | College for Creative Studies                 | Detroit          | Graduate      | All                                  | 20   | \$15,000  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Concordia University - Ann Arbor             | Ann Arbor        | All           | All                                  | 100  | \$3,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Cornerstone University                       | Grand Rapids     | Undergraduate | Traditional                          | 5  | \$500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Davenport University                         | Grand Rapids     | All           | Business, Health, Technology         | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Finlandia University                         | Hancock          | Undergraduate | College of Health Science            | Unlimited  | \$813   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Finlandia University                         | Hancock          | Undergraduate | International School of Art & Design | Unlimited  | \$923   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Finlandia University                         | Hancock          | Undergraduate | SCAS College of Arts & Sciences      | Unlimited  | \$563   |

| Institution Category         | Name of Institution in Yellow Ribbon Program | Location          | Degree Level  | Division or School                    | Number of Veteran Students Allowed Through Program | Max School Contribution Amt. if capped (Per Student/Per Year) |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Finlandia University                         | Hancock           | Undergraduate | International School of Business      | Unlimited  | \$563   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Hope College                                 | Holland           | Undergraduate | All                                   | 15   | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Kalamazoo College                            | Kalamazoo         | Undergraduate | All                                   | 10   | \$5,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Kettering University                         | Flint             | Graduate      | All                                   | Unlimited  | \$11,872  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Lawrence Technological University            | Southfield        | All           | All                                   | 20   | \$5,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Madonna University                           | Livonia           | Undergraduate | All                                   | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Madonna University                           | Livonia           | Graduate      | All                                   | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Northwood University                         | Midland           | Undergraduate | All                                   | 250  | \$3,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Northwood University                         | Midland           | Graduate      | All                                   | 250  | \$3,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Northwood University                         | Troy              | Undergraduate | All                                   | 250  | \$3,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Northwood University                         | Troy              | Graduate      | All                                   | 250  | \$3,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Siena Heights University                     | Adrian            | Undergraduate | All                                   | 25   | \$1,500   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Siena Heights University                     | Adrian            | Graduate      | All                                   | 5  | \$750   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Spring Arbor University                      | Spring Arbor      | Undergraduate | All                                   | 100  | \$3,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Spring Arbor University                      | Spring Arbor      | Graduate      | All                                   | 100  | \$4,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | University of Detroit Mercy                  | Detroit           | Undergraduate | All                                   | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | University of Detroit Mercy                  | Detroit           | Graduate      | All but School of Dentistry           | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | University of Detroit Mercy                  | Detroit           | Doctoral      | Dentistry                             | 2  | \$10,000  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | University of Detroit Mercy                  | Detroit           | Doctoral      | Engineering & Science                 | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | University of Detroit Mercy                  | Detroit           | Doctoral      | Law                                   | 5  | \$10,000  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | University of Detroit Mercy                  | Detroit           | Doctoral      | Liberal Arts & Education              | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | University of Detroit Mercy                  | Detroit           | Doctoral      | Nursing                               | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Novi              | Undergraduate | All                                   | 50   | \$4,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Novi              | Graduate      | All                                   | 50   | \$6,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Novi              | Doctoral      | All                                   | 10   | \$7,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Clinton Township  | Undergraduate | All                                   | 50   | \$4,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Clinton Township  | Graduate      | All                                   | 50   | \$6,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Clinton Township  | Doctoral      | All                                   | 10   | \$7,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Troy              | Undergraduate | All                                   | 50   | \$4,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Troy              | Graduate      | All                                   | 50   | \$6,000   |
| Private, Non-Profit, 4-Year+ | Walsh College                                | Troy              | Doctoral      | All                                   | 10   | \$7,000   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Central Michigan University                  | Mount Pleasant    | Graduate      | College of Business Administration    | 100  | \$500   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Central Michigan University                  | Mount Pleasant    | Graduate      | College of Education & Human Services | 100  | \$500   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Central Michigan University                  | Mount Pleasant    | Graduate      | College of Graduate Studies           | 100  | \$500   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Eastern Michigan University                  | Ypsilanti         | All           | All                                   | 10   | \$4,000   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Grand Valley State University                | Allendale         | All           | All                                   | Unlimited  |   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Lake Superior State University               | Sault Ste Marie   | Undergraduate | All                                   | 1000   | \$4,770   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Michigan State University                    | East Lansing      | All           | All                                   | Unlimited  |   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Michigan Technological University            | Houghton          | Undergraduate | All                                   | 5  | \$2,500   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Northern Michigan University                 | Marquette         | All           | All                                   | Unlimited  |   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Oakland University                           | Rochester         | All           | All                                   | 100  | \$500   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Saginaw Valley State University              | University Center | All           | All                                   | 100  | \$2,000   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | University of Michigan - Ann Arbor           | Ann Arbor         | All           | All                                   | Unlimited  |   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | University of Michigan - Dearborn            | Dearborn          | All           | All                                   | Unlimited  |   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | University of Michigan - Flint               | Flint             | All           | All                                   | Unlimited  |   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Wayne State University                       | Detroit           | All           | All                                   | 100  | \$4,000   |
| Public, 4-Year+              | Western Michigan University                  | Kalamazoo         | All           | All                                   | 400  | \$3,000   |

| Institution Category | Name of Institution in Yellow Ribbon Program | Location        | Degree Level  | Division or School  | Number of Veteran Students Allowed Through Program | Max School Contribution Amt. if capped (Per Student/Per Year) |
|----------------------|--|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|--|---|
| Community College    | Northwestern Michigan College                | Traverse City   | Undergraduate | All                 | 4  | \$1,000   |
| Other                | The Art Institute of Michigan                | Novi            | All           | All                 | Unlimited  | No cap  |
| Other                | Compass College of Cinematic Arts            | Grand Rapids    | Undergraduate | All                 | 3  | \$1,250   |
| Other                | DeVry University - Southfield                | Southfield      | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | ITT Technical Institute - Canton             | Canton          | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | ITT Technical Institute - Dearborn           | Dearborn        | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | ITT Technical Institute - Grand Rapids       | Grand Rapids    | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | ITT Technical Institute - Swartz Creek       | Swartz Creek    | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | ITT Technical Institute - Troy               | Troy            | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | ITT Technical Institute - Wyoming            | Wyoming         | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | International Academy of Design & Technology | Troy            | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | Kuyper College                               | Grand Rapids    | Undergraduate | All                 | 10   | \$2,000   |
| Other                | MIAT College of Technology                   | Canton          | Associates    | Aviation Technology | 100  |   |
| Other                | MIAT College of Technology                   | Canton          | Associates    | Energy Technology   | 100  |   |
| Other                | Rochester College                            | Rochester Hills | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | South University                             | Novi            | Undergraduate | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | South University                             | Novi            | Graduate      | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | Thomas M. Cooley Law School                  | All MI Campuses | All           | Juris Doctor        | 12   | \$1,000   |
| Other                | University of Phoenix - Grand Rapids         | Grand Rapids    | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |
| Other                | University of Phoenix - Southfield           | Detroit         | All           | All                 | Unlimited  |   |

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Cleary University

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Studies

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Ann Arbor

Cornerstone University

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Finlandia University

Hope College

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Kettering University

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University

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