

# FRESHMAN MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

## The following scholarships require:

- Enrollment directly from high school
- Admission to GVSU by March 1
- Full-time enrollment status
- Maintaining satisfactory academic progress

## Presidential Scholarship

### Annual Value:

Michigan Residents, **\$11,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, approximately **\$16,750**

Additional amounts of up to **\$2,000** are awarded to students who are National Merit Finalists.

### Total Value (Over Four Years):

Michigan Residents, **\$44,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, **\$67,000**

### Test Score and GPA Requirements:

ACT Score: 32 or higher composite score

SAT<sup>1</sup> Score: 1430 or higher combined score on the Evidence-based Reading and Writing and Math.

GPA<sup>2</sup>: 3.8 or higher, calculated on a 4.0 scale

Renewable<sup>3</sup>: Yes

### Additional Information:

- Cannot be combined with the Faculty Scholarship, Award for Excellence, or Laker Scholarship.
- **Non-Michigan Residents:** This scholarship also covers the difference between full-time Michigan resident tuition and nonresident tuition in addition to \$11,000.

## Faculty Scholarship

### Annual Value:

Michigan Residents, **\$8,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, approximately **\$13,750**

Additional amounts of up to **\$2,000** are awarded to students who are National Merit Finalists.

### Total Value (Over Four Years):

Michigan Residents, **\$32,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, **\$55,000**

### Test Score and GPA Requirements:

**ACT Score:** 30 or higher composite score

**SAT<sup>1</sup> Score:** 1370 or higher combined score on the Evidence-based Reading and Writing and Math.

**GPA<sup>2</sup>:** 3.6 or higher, calculated on a 4.0 scale

Renewable<sup>3</sup>: Yes

### Additional Information:

- Cannot be combined with the Presidential Scholarship, Award for Excellence, or Laker Scholarship.

- **Non-Michigan Residents:** This scholarship also covers the difference between full-time Michigan resident tuition and nonresident tuition in addition to \$8,000.

### **Award for Excellence**

#### **Annual Value:**

Michigan Residents, **\$3,500**

Non-Michigan Residents, approximately **\$9,228**

#### **Total Value (Over Four Years):**

Michigan Residents, **\$14,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, **\$36,912**

#### **Test Score and GPA Requirements:**

GPA<sup>2</sup>: 3.5 or higher, calculated on a 4.0 scale

**Renewable<sup>3</sup>:** Yes

#### **Additional Information:**

- Cannot be combined with the Presidential Scholarship, Faculty Scholarship, or Laker Scholarship.
- **Non-Michigan Residents:** This scholarship also covers the difference between full-time Michigan resident tuition and nonresident tuition in addition to \$3,500.

### **Laker Scholarship**

#### **Annual Value:**

Michigan Residents, **\$1,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, approximately **\$6,728**

#### **Total Value (Over Four Years):**

Michigan Residents, **\$4,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, **\$26,912**

#### **GPA Requirement<sup>2</sup>:**

3.3 or higher, calculated on a 4.0 scale

**Renewable<sup>3</sup>:** Yes

#### **Additional Information:**

- Cannot be combined with the Presidential Scholarship, Faculty Scholarship, or Award for Excellence.
- **Non-Michigan Residents:** This scholarship also covers the difference between full-time Michigan resident tuition and nonresident tuition in addition to \$1,000.

### **Urban Schools Scholarship**

#### **Annual Value:**

Michigan Residents, **\$3,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, approximately **\$8,750**

**Total Value (Over Four Years):**

Michigan Residents, **\$12,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, **\$35,000**

**GPA Requirement<sup>2</sup>:**

3.0 or higher, calculated on a 4.0 scale

**Renewable<sup>3</sup>:** Yes

**Additional Information:**

- Awarded to students from select urban high schools. For a complete listing of eligible schools, visit [gvsu.edu/financialaid/urban](http://gvsu.edu/financialaid/urban).
- Cannot be combined with the Early Awareness Scholarship or a GV Indian Tuition Waiver.
- **Non-Michigan Residents:** This scholarship also covers the difference between full-time Michigan resident tuition and nonresident tuition in addition to \$3,000.

**Early Awareness Scholarship**

**Annual Value:**

Michigan Residents, **\$3,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, approximately **\$8,750**

**Total Value (Over Four Years):**

Michigan Residents, **\$12,000**

Non-Michigan Residents, **\$35,000**

**GPA Requirement<sup>2</sup>:**

3.0 or higher, calculated on a 4.0 scale

**Renewable<sup>3</sup>:** Yes

**Additional Information:**

- Awarded to students who have at least two years of participation in one of the following college readiness programs:
  - Ada S. McKinley Community Services, Inc.
  - The Detroit Compact
  - Dollars for Scholars
  - GEAR UP
  - Introspect Youth Services, Inc.
  - Midnight Golf
  - TRIO Talent Search
  - TRIO Upward Bound
  - Wade H. McCree Jr. Incentive Scholarship
- Students receiving this scholarship are also encouraged to participate in one of the structured student success programs on campus.
- Cannot be combined with the Urban Schools Scholarship or a GV Indian Tuition Waiver.
- **Non-Michigan Residents:** This scholarship also covers the difference between full-time Michigan resident tuition and nonresident tuition in addition to \$3,000.

**GV Charter Schools Alumni Scholarship**

**Annual Value:** \$1,000

**Renewable<sup>3</sup>:** Yes

**Additional Information:**

- Must have graduated from a GVSU Charter High School
- Must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress)
- Students receiving this scholarship are also encouraged to participate in one of the structured student success programs on campus

**Lakers go Abroad! Scholarship**

**Annual Value:**

\$2,000

**Renewable<sup>3</sup>:** No, this is a one-time only award

**Additional Information:**

- Scholarship must be used within four years after initial enrollment at GVSU, and may only be used on a GVSU-approved, for-credit study abroad program.
- Awardees are still eligible for additional study abroad scholarships.
- For consideration, apply at [gvsu.edu/myscholarships](https://gvsu.edu/myscholarships).

<sup>1</sup> SAT combined score on the Evidence-based Reading and Writing and Math.

<sup>2</sup> Cumulative GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale.

<sup>3</sup> Students may receive renewable scholarships for up to four academic years of continuous, full-time enrollment. For specific renewal criteria, please visit [gvsu.edu/scholarships](https://gvsu.edu/scholarships).

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## SEPTEMBER

### **Fall 2023 Admissions Application Review Begins**

Students with completed applications can expect a decision within three weeks. [gvsu.edu/apply](https://gvsu.edu/apply)

### **On-Campus Housing Application Available**

Freshmen are required to live on campus. Once you have been admitted to GVSU, you should apply for housing online at [gvsu.edu/housing](https://gvsu.edu/housing). The housing application deadline is **May 1**, but students who apply early are more likely to receive their first or second housing choice.

## OCTOBER

### **File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

Complete the FAFSA at [studentaid.gov/fafsa](https://studentaid.gov/fafsa) starting **October 1**. Although the priority filing deadline is **March 1**, we recommend filing the FAFSA early in order to maximize scholarship and grant eligibility.  
**GVSU school code: 002268**

## NOVEMBER

### **Apply for Scholarships through myScholarships**

After you are admitted to GVSU, begin applying for scholarships through **myScholarships at [gvsu.edu/myscholarships](https://gvsu.edu/myscholarships)**. The myScholarships database has more than 500 scholarship opportunities. For maximum scholarship consideration, submit your FAFSA before visiting the myScholarships database.

## JANUARY

### **Financial Aid Award Notifications Sent**

Incoming students who have filed their FAFSA will receive their award notifications beginning in January.

## MARCH

### **Application Deadline for Merit-based Admission Scholarships**

To be considered for merit-based admission scholarships, you must be admitted by March 1, 2023 for Fall 2023 admission. View these scholarships at [gvsu.edu/scholarships](https://gvsu.edu/scholarships)

### **Priority deadline for filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

File the FAFSA by **March 1** to be considered for the maximum amount of financial aid.

## MAY

### **Commit to GVSU**

Make a commitment to attend GVSU by **May 1**, which is National Decision Day. Schedule your Advising and Registration session at [gvsu.edu/orientation](https://gvsu.edu/orientation).

## JUNE

### **Housing Application Deadline**

Housing and roommate assignments will be sent in June.

## JULY

### **Final Scholarship Decisions Made**

Final scholarship decisions are made by **July 31**.

## ESTIMATE YOUR ANNUAL COST

While college expenses vary with each student, the table below gives an estimation of the annual cost to attend Grand Valley.

### Michigan Residents

#### On Campus

Tuition and Fees: \$13,560\*

Room and Board (traditional living centers):

\$10,000\*

Total: \$23,560

### Non-Michigan Residents

#### On Campus

Tuition and Fees: \$19,296\*

Room and Board (traditional living centers):

\$10,000\*

Total: \$29,296

\*Tuition and housing figures are those for 2022-2023 and are subject to change by the Grand Valley Board of Trustees.