

**MICHIGAN WORK-STUDY PROGRAM**  
**Act 303 of 1986**

AN ACT to establish a Michigan work-study program for qualified resident students attending eligible graduate and professional graduate schools and employed by qualified employers; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies; and to provide for an appropriation.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**390.1321 Definitions.**

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

(a) "Authority" means the Michigan higher education assistance authority created by Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1960, being sections 390.951 to 390.961 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(b) "Program" means the Michigan work-study program established in section 2.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

**Compiler's note:** For transfer of powers and duties of Michigan higher education assistance authority to department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 2010-2, compiled at MCL 124.194.

**390.1322 Michigan work-study program; establishment; administration; purpose.**

Sec. 2. A Michigan work-study program, which shall be administered by the authority, is established by the state to enable eligible graduate and professional graduate schools to help eligible students meet educational expenses by placement in employment.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

**Compiler's note:** For transfer of authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan higher education assistance authority, the Michigan higher education student loan authority, and the office of student financial assistance services in the department of education to the department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 1995-2, compiled at MCL 12.181 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

For transfer of powers and duties of Michigan higher education assistance authority to department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 2010-2, compiled at MCL 124.194.

**390.1323 Eligibility of graduate or professional graduate school to participate in program; academic credit.**

Sec. 3. A recognized graduate or professional graduate school in this state is eligible to participate in the program if the graduate or professional graduate school is a degree-granting institution approved by the state board of education, the instructional programs are not comprised solely of sectarian instruction or religious worship, and the school participates in the federal work-study program under sections 441 to 448 of title IV of the higher education act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 2751 to 2756b. A participating school, at its option, may offer academic credit to students enrolled in the program.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

**Compiler's note:** For transfer of certain powers and duties vested in the department of career development or its director, relating to powers and duties of state board of education or superintendent of public instruction to the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.

**390.1324 Eligibility of student to participate in program.**

Sec. 4. (1) A student is eligible to participate in the program if the student meets the following requirements:

(a) Has resided in this state continuously for the 12 months preceding his or her application to the program and is not considered a resident of any other state.

(b) Is a United States citizen or permanent resident of this country.

(c) Is not incarcerated in a corrections institute.

(d) Is enrolled in at least a half-time graduate program of study at a graduate or professional graduate school that meets the requirements in section 3.

(e) Is certified by the financial aid officer at the graduate or professional graduate school as needing employment in order to meet recognized educational expenses.

(f) Is not in default on a loan guaranteed by the authority.

(2) A student shall maintain satisfactory academic progress, as defined by the graduate or professional graduate school in which the student is enrolled, to remain eligible for the program under this act.

(3) A full-time graduate student at any particular school for each degree level shall be eligible for the program for not more than 12 terms or its equivalent in semesters, and a less than full-time graduate student

for the equivalent as determined by the authority.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1325 Eligibility of employer organized for nonprofit purposes to employ students.**

Sec. 5. An employer that is organized for nonprofit purposes is eligible to employ students through the program if the employer meets all of the following requirements:

- (a) Enters into a signed agreement with an eligible graduate or professional graduate school to provide employment for students recommended by the school.
- (b) Provides at least 20% of the wages earned by the students.
- (c) Does not use students to displace employed workers.
- (d) Does not employ students to construct, operate, or maintain a facility used, or to be used, solely for sectarian instruction or as a place for religious worship.
- (e) Does not pay students a wage that is less than the federal minimum wage.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1326 Eligibility of employer organized for profit purposes to employ students.**

Sec. 6. An employer that is organized for profit purposes is eligible to employ students through the program if the employer meets all of the following requirements:

- (a) Enters into a signed agreement with an eligible graduate or professional graduate school to provide employment for students recommended by the school.
- (b) Provides at least 50% of the wages earned by the students.
- (c) Does not use students to displace employed workers.
- (d) Does not employ students to construct, operate, or maintain a facility used, or to be used, solely for sectarian instruction or as a place for religious worship.
- (e) Does not pay students a wage that is less than the federal minimum wage.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1327 Receipt of wages by graduate student.**

Sec. 7. A graduate student may receive wages for serving a graduate assistantship or participating in a research or a teaching project.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1328 Amount of grant; determination; criteria.**

Sec. 8. The amount of the grant to be paid for each semester or trimester shall be determined by the authority based upon an evaluation of the family's financial resources. Uniform criteria of need, as defined by the authority, shall be used in evaluating the family's financial resources.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1329 Amount of program funds for fiscal year.**

Sec. 9. Program funds shall be made to eligible graduate and professional graduate schools for a fiscal year in an amount not less than \$5,000.00 and an amount proportionate to the school's enrollment of graduate students compared to total graduate enrollment in the state for the most recent year statistics are available.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1330 Use of program funds.**

Sec. 10. Program funds shall be used for student wages only. Program funds shall not be used for the administrative costs of implementing or operating the school's program.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1331 Rules.**

Sec. 11. The authority shall promulgate rules to implement this act pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

### **390.1332 Appropriation.**

Sec. 12. The legislature annually shall appropriate a sum sufficient to implement this act.

**History:** 1986, Act 303, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.