

Here is what you need to be considered for the ACG grant:

- Be a U.S. Citizen
- Be eligible for Pell
- Graduate from high school after January 1, 2006. The ACG grant is only for students who have graduated from high school in 2006 or later.
- Have been in a rigorous high school program of study
- Be enrolled in college, and be in at least 12 credit hours

To learn more about the ACG the definitions for rigorous high school programs, go to: <http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/NewPrograms.jsp>

The eligibility options for a student graduating from secondary school in Michigan in 2006 or later are:

- **Michigan Scholars.** This program, part of the national State Scholars Initiative and patterned after the recommendations of the National Commission on Excellence in Education, requires at least:
  - Four credits in English (English I-IV);
  - Three credits in math (Algebra I, Algebra II and geometry);
  - Three credits in science (biological science, physical science and chemistry);
  - Three credits in social studies (world history, economics, American history, U.S. Government);
  - Two credits in a language other English;
  - Plus district graduation requirements
- **A set of courses similar to the State Scholars Initiative.** This program of study requires passing grades in the following:
  - Four years of English;
  - Three years of math (including Algebra I, and a higher level course such as Algebra II, geometry, or data analysis and statistics);
  - Three years of science (including at least two courses from biology, chemistry or physics);
  - Three years of social studies; and
  - One year of a foreign language.
- **Advanced Placement (AP or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and test scores.** This program requires a minimum of two Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses in high school and a minimum passing score on the exams for those classes. Students must score 3 or higher on AP exams and 4 or higher on IB exams.
- **Michigan Merit Standard.** This program requires:
  - Four credits of English;

- Four credits of math (including Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry and one credit in the Senior Year);
- Three credits of science (including biology, physics or chemistry, and one additional science credit);
- Three credits of social studies (U.S. History and Geography, World History and Geography, Economics (half credit) and Civics (half credit));
- One credit of physical education and health;
- One credit of visual, performing, or applied arts; and
- One on-line learning course or experience.
- Links to credit expectations and guidance:
  - [www.michigan.gov/highschool](http://www.michigan.gov/highschool)

If you believe you fulfill the ACG requirements, please ask your high school official to complete the form. Return this form to us along with your final, official high school transcript. After we receive your completed form and your high school transcript we will be able to determine your eligibility for the ACG.