

State Grant Background



The Minnesota State Grant program:

Helps low- and middle-income families

Supports all college options

Has statewide impact

Holds down additional borrowing

Increases graduation rates

Encourages students to stay in Minnesota

State Grant funds are awarded to students – not institutions.

69,500 students from across Minnesota receive a grant.

39% of students from Minnesota going to college here receive a grant.

And for Minnesota students of color and Native American students going to college here, **54%** receive a grant.

Students use their State Grant awards to pursue their education and career goals.

They are earning certificates, associate degrees and bachelor's degrees.

They are traditional-age students and adult learners.

They are at public and private colleges.

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124 State Grant recipients were on campus last academic year — that was **5 percent** of all Macalester undergraduates.

The average State Grant award at Macalester was **\$6,079**.

“Macalester was my dream school from the moment I first visited campus.



The Minnesota State Grant allowed me to continue my education at a college that made me feel at home from day one.”

Audrey Kellar

Macalester College, Class of 2022

Hometown: Proctor, MN

Major: Neuroscience

Extra-curriculars: MacPlayers and Lives of Commitment civic leadership program



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