

Mississippi Profile

Why State Grants Matter

State grant programs have the potential to make college possible for many students who could not otherwise afford to enroll. Grant policies vary widely across states in terms of their funding levels, whether they are based on financial or academic criteria or a combination of the two, and which students and institutions are eligible.

Mississippi Residents

19%

of Mississippi residents have a B.A. degree

88%

of Mississippi students attend an in-state college

\$37,985

Median household income in Mississippi (2010)

Colleges in Mississippi – Grants, Funding and Tuition

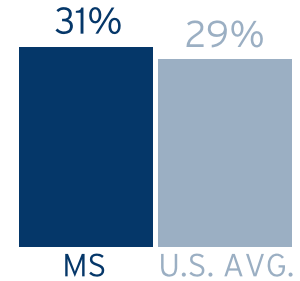
\$21,607,626

in student aid funds disbursed by

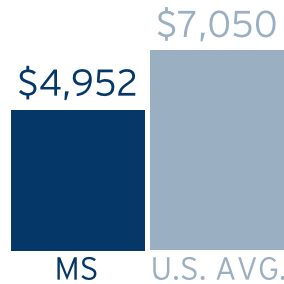
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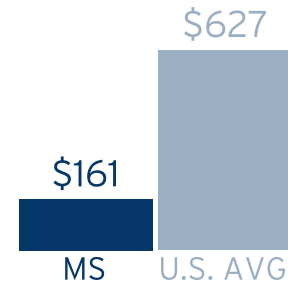
% funding of publics from state/local gov, 2008-2009



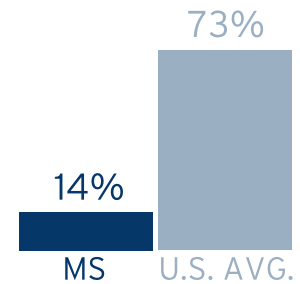
Tuition and fees, four-year public colleges, 2009-2010



Avg. state grant aid per student, 2009-2010



% grant aid based on need, 2009-2010



Largest Two Grant Programs in Mississippi

(See Appendix B of the full report for a complete listing of grant programs)

Mississippi Resident Tuition Grant

Funds disbursed:	Number of recipients:	% of dollars disbursed by sector:	
\$13,950,739	23,227	PUBLIC	89%
% of all state grants: 65%	Avg. aid per recipient: \$601	PRIVATE	11%
Eligibility criteria: Academic		FOR-PROFIT	0%

Mississippi Eminent Scholars Grant

Funds disbursed:	Number of recipients:	% of dollars disbursed by sector:	
\$4,712,408	1,990	PUBLIC	83%
% of all state grants: 22%	Avg. aid per recipient: \$2,368	PRIVATE	17%
Eligibility criteria: Academic		FOR-PROFIT	0%