

Montana 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.

Montana Residents

27%

of Montana residents have a B.A. degree

76%

of Montana students attend an in-state college

\$41,467

Median household income in Montana (2010)

Colleges in Montana – Grants, Funding and Tuition

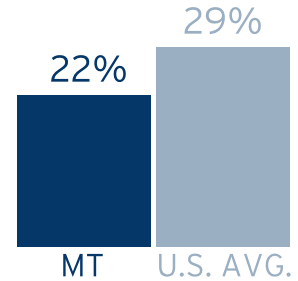
\$5,648,479

in student aid funds disbursed by

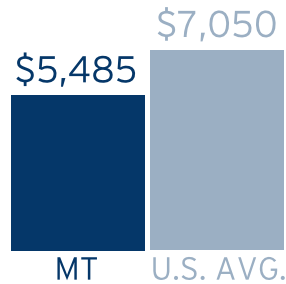
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state grant programs.

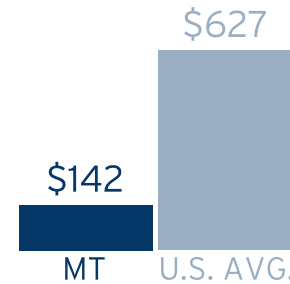
% funding of publics from state/local gov, 2008-2009



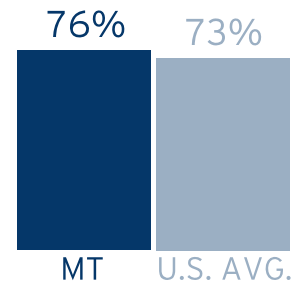
Tuition and fees, four-year public colleges, 2009-2010



Avg. state grant aid per student, 2009-2010



% grant aid based on need, 2009-2010



Largest Two Grant Programs in Montana

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

Montana Tuition Assistance Program

<i>Funds disbursed:</i>	<i>Number of recipients:</i>	<i>% of dollars disbursed by sector:</i>	
\$2,152,815	2,564	PUBLIC	95%
<i>% of all state grants:</i>	<i>Avg. aid per recipient:</i>	PRIVATE	5%
38%	\$840	FOR-PROFIT	0%
<i>Eligibility criteria:</i>			
Financial			

Governor's PSE Scholarship - Need

<i>Funds disbursed:</i>	<i>Number of recipients:</i>	<i>% of dollars disbursed by sector:</i>	
\$1,055,000	1,086	PUBLIC	100%
<i>% of all state grants:</i>	<i>Avg. aid per recipient:</i>	PRIVATE	0%
19%	\$971	FOR-PROFIT	0%
<i>Eligibility criteria:</i>			
Financial			