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Introduction

The Michigan Almanac provides a consolidated source of data and commentary as a window into the characteristics and operations of the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor campus. This document includes sections on student admissions and enrollment, costs of attendance, student achievement, faculty and staff statistics, diversity indicators for all parts of the campus community, teaching and learning activities, research and technology transfer, budget, development, space, sustainability, and academic rankings.

The Almanac has been prepared with several different audiences in mind. Members of the University administration, faculty, and staff who manage or monitor any of the institution’s programs should find this a useful source of information. Others who have interests in U-M, such as the state’s legislators and government officials in Lansing and Washington, prospective and current students and their families, donors, other higher education institutions, and the media, will also find information of value in this document.

The Almanac aims to present a balanced and factual picture of all facets of the institution. It applauds the University’s successes, but also strives to be objective about areas that need improvement. The data has been collected from public sources, and, when possible, from readily accessible reports, so that the charts and tables in the Almanac can be replicated. Furthermore, the Almanac website provides links to data files that underpin the charts.

The U-M Health System is excluded from Almanac data and charts, except in rare instances. Reporting on the U-M Flint and Dearborn campuses is also left out of this document.

When relevant data is available, the Almanac compares the U-M to its peer institutions, either as individual peer universities or to groups of universities with similar characteristics. The membership of these comparison groups is listed in Appendix A.

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