

ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IMPACT REPORT

EXPENDABLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Supporting Excellence
in Athletics and Academics



2024-25



"Private scholarship support played a vital role in helping me complete both my undergraduate degree in English and my master's degree in public policy. Balancing academics and athletics has certainly pushed me to grow in discipline and resilience. More importantly, it has given me the chance to use my platform as a Michigan student-athlete to advocate for others who may not have the same opportunities. I'm deeply grateful for the support I've received — it's a big reason why I've been able to get to where I am today. As I move forward in my role as the Big Ten Athletics Administration Fellow and continue on as a proud Michigan alumna, I'm committed to paying it forward. Thank you, sincerely."

GABRYEL WILSON

*2021 National Champion
2023 & 2024 Team Captain
2024 AAI Award Finalist
2024 Big Ten Medal of Honor*



LEADERS & BEST

INVESTING IN TALENT

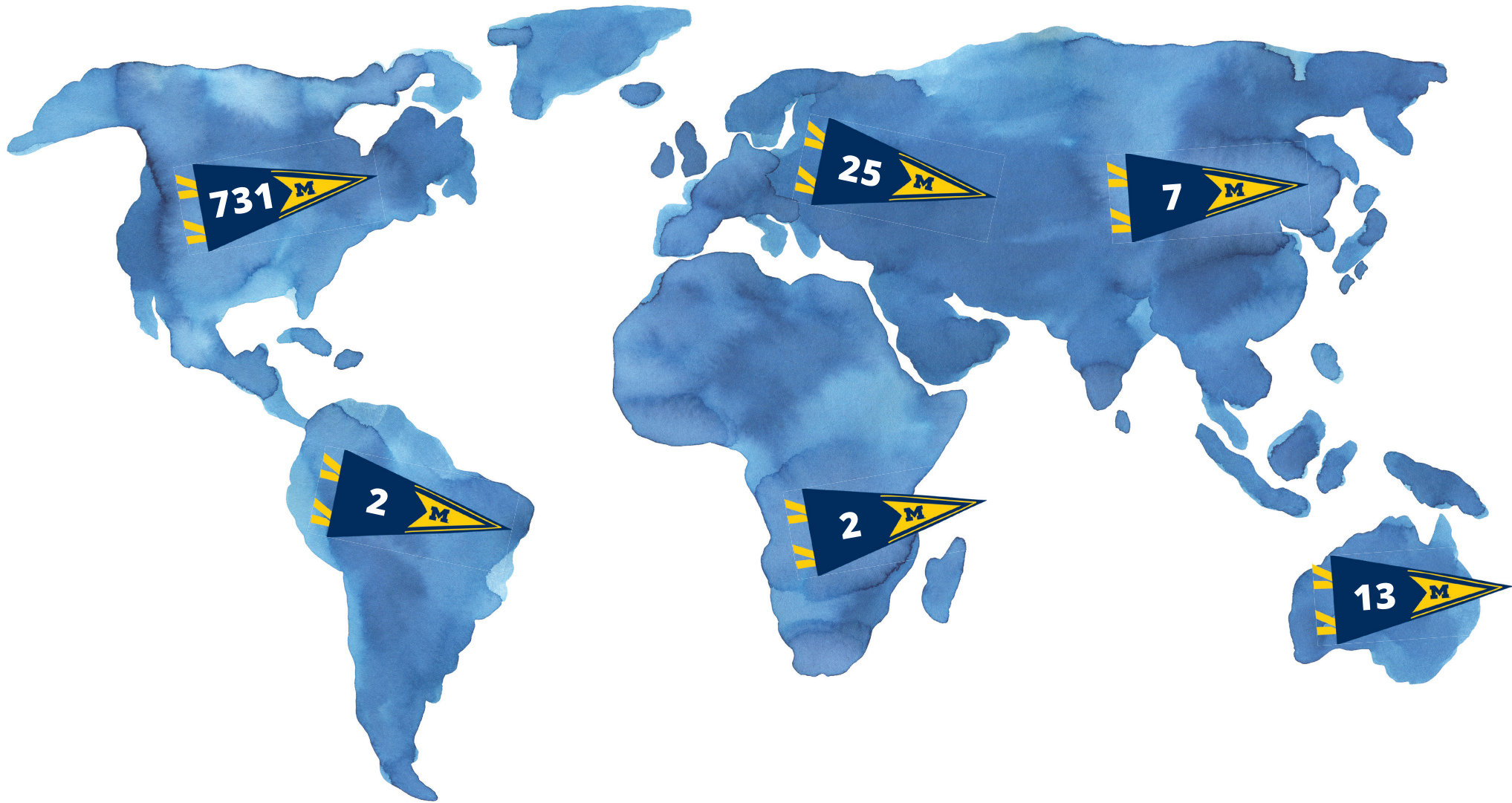


Scholarships open doors of opportunity that many student-athletes never thought possible. They transform dreams of competing at the highest level into reality. Every investment in young talent goes beyond filling roster spots. It fulfills Michigan Athletics' deepest purpose: developing leaders who proudly represent the Block M with pride and purpose.

In this report, you'll meet Michigan student-athletes whose lives have been enriched by scholarship support. Their stories - whether in the classroom, in competition, or in the community - represent hundreds of similar journeys across our athletic programs. Each one shows how your investment in Michigan Athletics shapes careers and builds character.

Unrestricted, need-based scholarship funding helped us support the \$34 million needed to provide 645 scholarships across 29 varsity programs in 2024-25. Gifts made to the ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND provide the athletic department with the ability to meet our student-athletes' most essential needs.

HOME AWAY FROM HOME



MICHIGAN STUDENT-ATHLETES HAIL FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD:

United States: 689
Canada: 42

Europe: 25
Australia: 13

Asia: 7
Africa: 2

South America: 2

THE TEAM

At Michigan Athletics, we build a championship culture by embracing what makes each of us unique. Our strength comes from bringing together student-athletes from every background, each adding their own voice to our storied legacy.

We create spaces where all can thrive, where different perspectives shape our future, and where every student-athlete has the support to reach their full potential. Michigan's rich championship pedigree and academic excellence would not exist without the pioneers who laid the foundation of being the Leaders and Best.

DONORS

433

donors gave

795

*gifts
for a total of*

\$764,187

*to the Athletics
Scholarship
Fund in FY25*

STUDENT-ATHLETES

645

*student-athletes received
financial aid in FY25*

4.9%

*student-athletes
received Pell Grants*

134

*student-athletes who are
first-generation college
students in Fall 2024*

BUDGET

\$34M

*went toward
financial aid*

14.2%

*Of Michigan Athletics'
annual budget
in FY25*

OPPORTUNITY & EXCELLENCE



ABBY DENT

Kenora, Ontario

Silver Medalist
2024 Paris Olympic Games
Team Canada, 8+

Two-time Pocock/CRCA All-American (honorable mention, 2022; second team, 2023)
Member of 2021, '23 Big Ten Championship Teams
Two-time Big Ten Champion (2021, 2V8; 2023, 1V8)
2023 Big Ten Athlete of the Year
2023 All-Big Ten first team
Twice named to Team Canada's U-23 World Championship roster (2021-22) in double sculls (BW2x) and the 8+
In 2022, competed in the 8+ with teammate Jana Peachey for Team Canada
2022, '23 Academic All-Big Ten

"Scholarship support has made a huge difference in my Michigan experience. It gave me the opportunity to attend an incredible school, focus fully on my academics and rowing, and chase big goals without the extra stress of financial pressure. It's allowed me to take advantage of everything Michigan has to offer — from top-tier training facilities to world-class academic resources — and really make the most of my time here.

"The culture at Michigan is truly something special. It's built around a standard of excellence, but it's also one of the most supportive environments I've ever been part of. Everyone pushes each other to be better, both on and off the water. Our coaching staff has been amazing — they've not only helped me grow as an athlete but also as a person. Coach Liz Tuppen has been a huge influence, encouraging me to be confident in my abilities and trust the work I put in both pre- and post-Olympics. Being surrounded by teammates and mentors who genuinely want the best for you is something I'm really grateful for.

"With the Canadian National Team, I've had the honor of representing my country at some of the biggest international stages. I competed at the Junior World Championships in Tokyo where I placed sixth, raced with the U23 National Team for three consecutive years, and most recently, earned a silver medal at the Paris 2024 Olympics. Each experience helped shape me into the athlete I am today.

"At Michigan, I've been fortunate to be part of some incredible crews, including multiple Big Ten Championships and NCAA appearances. Individually, I was honored to be named Big Ten Athlete of the Year and an All-American, which meant a lot to me because it reflected both personal growth and the incredible support from my teammates and coaches. Both at Michigan and with Team Canada, every step of the journey has been about striving for excellence, pushing limits, and making the most of every opportunity."

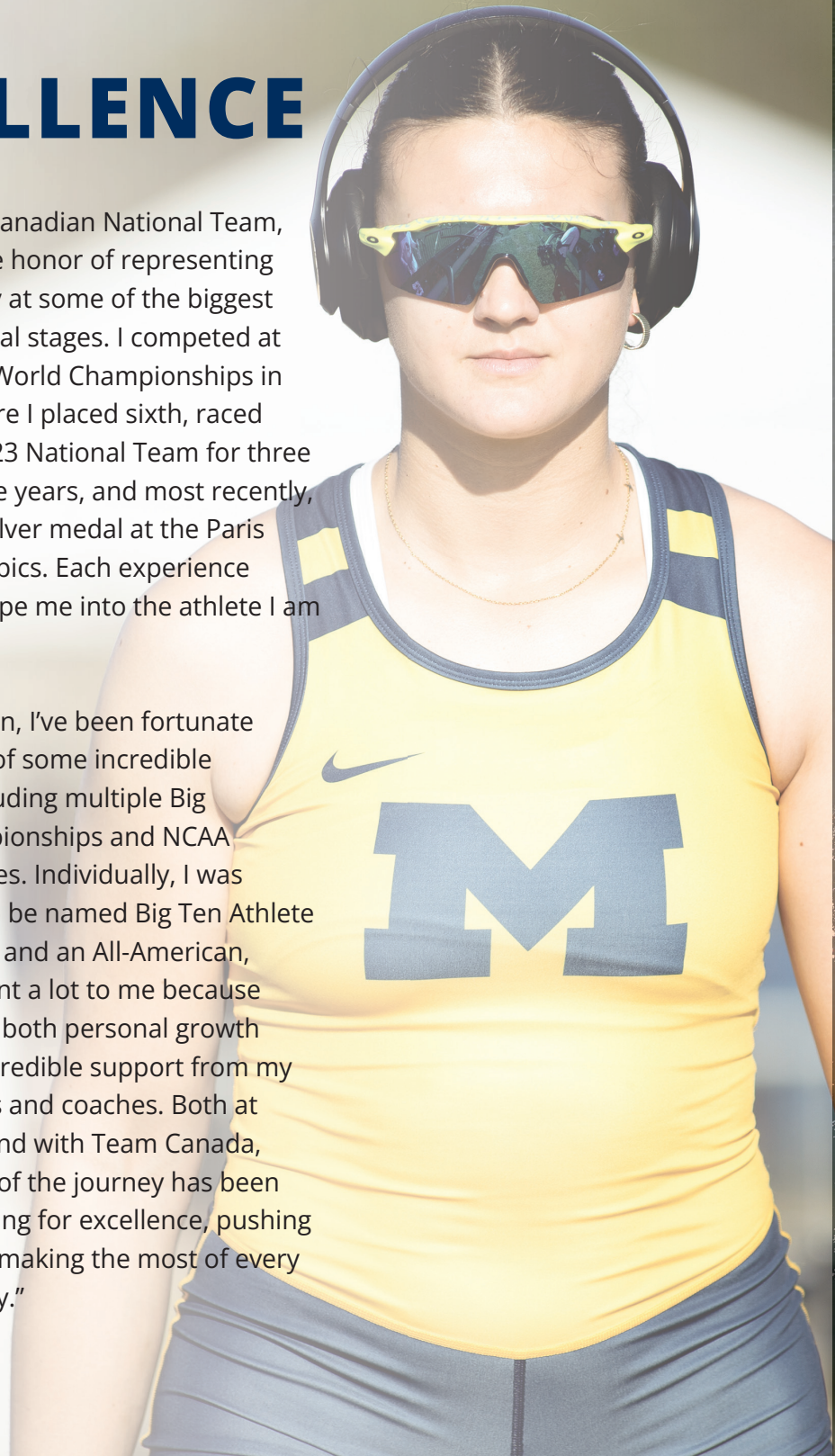




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PLAYING FOR THE BLOCK M



PATORN HANCHAIKUL

Bangkok, Thailand

2023, '24, '25 Academic All-Big Ten
2024, '25 Big Ten Distinguished
Scholar
2022, '24, '25 ITA Scholar-Athlete
2022 Big Ten Tournament
Champions
2022, '23 NCAA Team
Quarterfinalist

Pre-College:

Career-high junior world ranking:
No. 61
Competed in maindraw of Junior
Australian Open

Highest College Rankings:

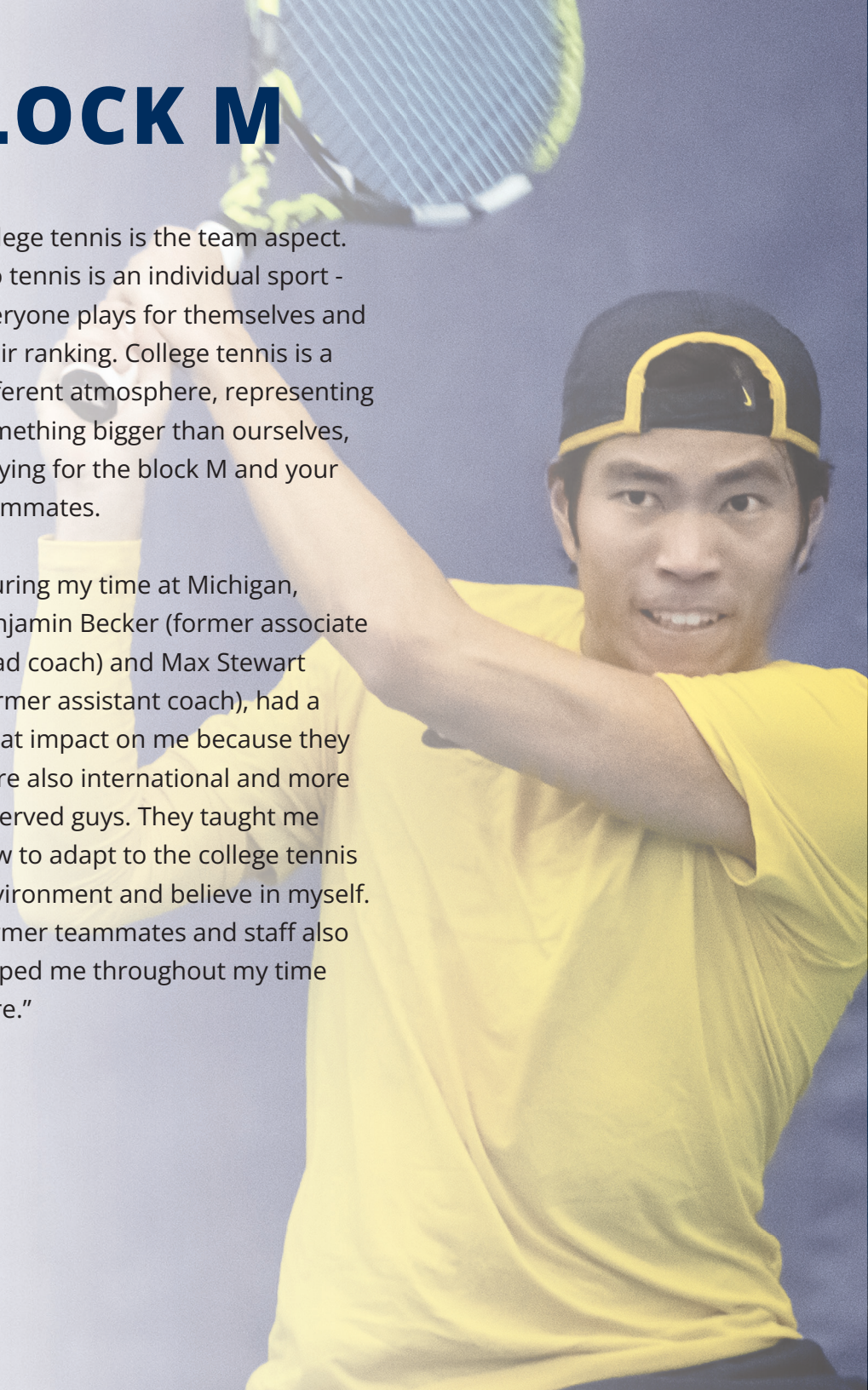
No. 113, singles
No. 89, doubles

"Scholarship support has impacted me tremendously. Without a scholarship I wouldn't have been able to attend the University of Michigan. Initially I was committed and accepted into an Ivy League school but dropped out because of financial problems during Covid. The scholarship support has given me the opportunity to get a world class education while playing the sport I love and receiving the best guidance from coaches, staff and teammates.

"Our overall culture focused on playing as a team. We are more than just individual players but work together towards a common goal. The biggest difference between junior or professional tennis and

college tennis is the team aspect. Pro tennis is an individual sport - everyone plays for themselves and their ranking. College tennis is a different atmosphere, representing something bigger than ourselves, playing for the block M and your teammates.

"During my time at Michigan, Benjamin Becker (former associate head coach) and Max Stewart (former assistant coach), had a great impact on me because they were also international and more reserved guys. They taught me how to adapt to the college tennis environment and believe in myself. Former teammates and staff also helped me throughout my time here."





Look to Michigan

for limitless opportunities ►

CRITICAL SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

The Michigan Athletic Department is one of a few in the country to operate self-sufficiently, and relies on the generous support of our donors. Your support allows student-athletes to focus on completing their education while competing for the Maize and Blue.

Your continued passion and generosity to Michigan Athletics is essential to ensuring student-athletes are provided the necessary resources to achieve comprehensive excellence on the field, in the classroom, and in life.

Athletics does not receive discounted tuition rates. With more than two-thirds of our student-athletes coming from outside the State of Michigan, that means a steep scholarship bill every year.

Michigan Athletics believes that financial barriers should never stand in the way of a student-athlete's dreams. Financial aid empowers student-athletes to pursue their passions without experiencing excessive financial stress. In order to maintain this level of scholarship assistance, while also facing additional scholarships with changes in NCAA limits, we need ongoing support from our community. By investing in scholarships through expendable gifts, you are helping to ensure that student-athletes are recruited based on their skill level and alignment with the Michigan tradition, regardless of their residency.

A Michigan degree opens doors that stay open for life. Our student-athletes graduate with a world class education and join a global network of nearly 700,000 living alumni. They earn career opportunities at top companies such as Lockheed Martin, Dell, Rolls-Royce Aerospace, Accenture, Michigan Medicine, Detroit Lions, Royal Caribbean, U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee.

The support you provide Michigan Athletics is critical to our ability to recruit top student-athletes and help them reach their full potential. Together we can make a difference, upholding our institution's proud legacy of excellence.

All of our student-athletes are passionate, dedicated, and proud of their University. Each one makes a tremendous commitment to Michigan. We look forward to continuing to make the same commitment to them.

**See the
power of
your
support in
action**



SCHOLARSHIPS

\$34M

*spent on 645
scholarships in 2024-25*

Tuition costs continue to rise, putting scholarship support at the forefront of urgent needs for Michigan Athletics.

ACADEMICS

96%

*Graduation Success Rate
in the 2019-24 cohort*

3.382

*median
student-athlete
GPA in 2024-25*



Michigan Athletics unifies the greater Michigan family across the globe. We are a common thread of experiences, memories, moments. We are a point of pride. We are a valuable part of a vibrant University of Michigan experience. We are endlessly passionate and loyal. We are stewards of Michigan Athletics history and tradition, while creating new experiences and memories that will become the next chapter in our legacy.

For the blueprint to success.

For comprehensive experiences.

For limitless opportunities.

Look to Michigan Athletics.

This is your chance. We need your philanthropic partnership to make our goals and vision a reality.



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