

State Grant Background



The Minnesota State Grant program:

Helps low- and middle-income families

Has statewide impact

Holds down borrowing

Increases graduation rates

Encourages students to stay in Minnesota

State Grant funds are awarded to students — not institutions.

68,000 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. **55%** 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, tribal and private colleges.

Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

233 State Grant recipients were on campus last academic year — that was **13 percent** of all Saint Mary's undergraduates.

The average State Grant award at Saint Mary's was **\$5,251**.

"I was very grateful to have received the Minnesota State Grant. With the assistance of this grant, I am greatly supported in order to set my life up for success while simultaneously putting less of a financial burden on myself."



Kennedy Krause

Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Class of 2024

Hometown: Kasson, Minn.

Major: Management

Minors: Public relations, global diversity and social justice

Extra-curricular: Women's ice hockey



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