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Central Michigan University understands that effective educators are an essential part of student success in the classroom. This exciting opportunity will connect educators in CMU-authorized charter public schools with CMU's highly-rated advanced teacher education and educational leadership programs.

Through the program, teachers and school leaders in CMU-authorized schools can receive a 50 percent tuition award that directly offsets the tuition cost of eligible graduate degree programs in education from CMU's College of Education and Human Services.

## CMU CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATOR AWARD ELIGIBILITY

The CMU Charter School Educator Award is for teachers and school leaders who are working in a CMU-authorized charter public school.

## APPROVED CMU GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

The award applies to online Master of Arts degrees in the following approved College of Education and Human Services graduate education programs:

- » **MA Counseling: School Counseling Concentration**
- » **MA Education: Curriculum and Instruction**
- » **MA Education: Training and Development**
- » **MA Educational Leadership**
  - **Charter School Leadership Emphasis**
  - **Rural Education Leadership Emphasis**
  - **Supervision Emphasis**
- » **MA Learning, Design and Technology**
- » **MA Reading and Literacy K-12**
- » **MA Special Education: Special Education Master Teacher**
  - **Autism Spectrum Disorder Endorsement**
  - **Learning Disabilities Endorsement**

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  - **Learning Disabilities Endorsement**
- » **Specialist in Education**

## AWARD PROGRAM DETAILS

- » Applicants must be a teacher or school leader in a CMU-authorized charter public school.
- » Awards are available to 15 individuals each year.
- » To be eligible for the award individuals must be granted regular admission into one of the degree programs.
- » Awards are available for use as soon as they are granted.
- » To continue receiving the award, students must:
  - Begin the program within two semesters of admission.
  - Maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
  - Be continuously enrolled in at least two courses every semester.
  - Complete the degree program within three years of beginning the degree program.
  - Remain a teacher or school leader of a CMU-authorized charter public school.

## APPLYING FOR THE AWARD

- » The 15 awards are based on submission date of the CMU Global Campus online graduate degree application. The application is available at [apply.cmich.edu/home/GlobalCampus](https://apply.cmich.edu/home/GlobalCampus). You must be admitted into the degree program prior to being accepted into the award program.
- » The employer section of the online application must be completed.
- » Email a statement that you are interested in the award, what degree program you have been accepted into, what CMU-authorized charter public school you are working at and the contact information for your school leader to Tim Odykirk at [T0dykirk@TheCenterForCharters.org](mailto:T0dykirk@TheCenterForCharters.org).
- » An Employment Verification Form will be sent to your employer after you are accepted into the program, and each year you continue in the program.
- » Admission into a degree program is determined by that department's admission policy. The Charter School Educator Award does not influence admission into the degree program.

For questions or more information about the graduate degree programs please contact Global Campus at 877-268-4636 or [CMUGlobal@cmich.edu](mailto:CMUGlobal@cmich.edu). For questions or more information about the Charter School Educator Award please contact Tim Odykirk at 989-774-2100, [T0dykirk@TheCenterForCharters.org](mailto:T0dykirk@TheCenterForCharters.org), or visit [www.TheCenterForCharters.org/EducatorAward](http://www.TheCenterForCharters.org/EducatorAward).

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