Voting in the 2020 Election
Introduction

- Civic engagement is part of the University of Michigan experience, and we are part of the **Big Ten Voting Challenge** for 2020.
  - The challenge is working! Voter turnout went from 14% to 41% among Michigan students between 2014 and 2018.
- This is a non-partisan, student-led voter registration, education, and turnout effort on our campus.
- We want to help all eligible students to register and turn out to vote safely during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- If you aren’t eligible to vote, help encourage others.
Eligibility Requirements

**Age**
At least 18 years old by Election Day

**Citizenship**
Must be a U.S. citizen

**Residency**
Established residency of at least 30 days where you’d like to vote
Registration

- Check your registration status on your SOS website
  - If you think you’re registered, double check!
- Students may register at either their permanent (home) address or their student (campus) address.
  - It’s your choice!
- If your address has changed, you need to re-register
- Depending on the state you want to vote in, you can either register online or by paper
Register Online

- Michigan has implemented **online voter registration**
  - Only people with MI driver’s license or ID may register online to vote in Michigan. You also need the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number.
  - To register in Michigan, visit [mi.gov/vote](http://mi.gov/vote). Remember to enter your **voting** address.

- To register to vote in states other than Michigan, use the following link: [https://umich.turbovote.org/](https://umich.turbovote.org/)
  - You can register online in all states except Arkansas, Maine, Mississippi, Montana New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming.
Welcome to the Michigan Online Voter Registration System

You can use this program to register to vote and update your voter registration address in Michigan. To use this website, you need to have a valid Michigan driver’s license or state ID. If you don’t have one, find out how to register to vote by going to Registering To Vote.

Before we get started, let’s make sure you can use this website for voter registration.

Required fields are marked with an asterisk *.

* Driver's license address
Have you updated your driver's license or state ID address with the Secretary of State within the last 10 days?  
- [ ] Yes  - [ ] No

* Duplicate driver's license
Have you applied for a duplicate driver's license or state ID today?  
- [ ] Yes  - [ ] No

[Continue]
Register to vote online

Qualifications

Required fields are marked with an asterisk *.

* Citizenship
  I am a United States citizen.  
  - Yes  
  - No

* Age
  I am at least 17.5 years old and will vote only after I turn 18.  
  - Yes  
  - No

* Residency
  I am a Michigan resident and will vote only after I have lived in my city or township for at least 30 days.  
  - Yes  
  - No

* Previous registration
  I authorize the cancellation of any previous registration.  
  - Yes  
  - No

* Signature
  I authorize the Secretary of State to use my stored digital signature for voter registration.  
  - Yes  
  - No

[Next Button]
Register to vote online

Personal information

The personal information you use to register to vote must match the personal information on your Michigan driver's license or state ID.

Required fields are marked with an asterisk.*

* Full name (Exactly as printed on your Michigan driver's license or state ID)

* Michigan driver’s license or state ID number (A123456789123)

* Birthday (mm/dd/yyyy)

* Eye color (As printed on your license or state ID)

* Social security number (last four digits)

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Register on Paper

- Remember: If you **don’t have a MI driver’s license** or personal ID, but want to vote in Michigan, registration by paper is your only option other than going in person to the clerk’s office.
  - Access the MI form: [https://mi.gov/VoterRegistration](https://mi.gov/VoterRegistration)
  - Access the Federal form: [https://govote.umich.edu/reg-forms](https://govote.umich.edu/reg-forms)
- If you want to vote in Michigan, use the MI form. Otherwise, use the federal form.
- The Ginsberg Center has stamps and envelopes, or you can fill out this Google form ([https://bit.ly/stamprequest](https://bit.ly/stamprequest)) and they’ll send them to you.
Registration Deadlines

**Online**: Monday, October 19

**By Mail**: Monday, October 19

**In Person**: Tuesday, November 3
Register  Request  Return
Voting By Mail in Michigan

● In Michigan, **anyone** eligible to vote may vote by mail! To do so, you must request an absentee ballot.

● Remember: For this form your “HOME ADDRESS” is the address where you’re registered to vote.

● Request one from your local clerk by mail, online, or by going to the clerk’s office where you want to vote.

● You must return the form to get a ballot, it’s not automatic!
Voting Absentee: Requesting a Ballot

- Registered Michigan voters with a MI driver’s license can request an absentee ballot online here: [https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/avapplication](https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/avapplication)
- If you’re registered in Ann Arbor, you can return your absentee ballot to the Ann Arbor City Clerk via email: [CityClerk@a2gov.org](mailto:CityClerk@a2gov.org)
  - Pictures can be submitted in PDF or JPEG format.
  - Ensure that the entire form is in the picture frame, all of writing is legible, signatures are visible, legible, and similar to existing signatures on record, the photo is in focus, and the form is complete.
Voting Absentee: Returning a Ballot

- Be sure to request and return your completed/signed ballot ASAP.
- Timing matters! In Michigan, your completed absentee ballot must be in the clerk’s office by 8 p.m. on Election Day for your vote to count – the postmark does not matter.
  - Anticipate mail delays in the fall due to COVID-19.
- You can return your ballot in one of three ways:
  1. Mail it back to your local clerk before 10/20 (requires stamps)
  2. Drop it off in an official election drop box
  3. Walk it in to your clerk’s office and hand deliver
Voting Absentee: Check Your Status

- You should check the status of your ballot request by visiting [https://michigan.gov/vote](https://michigan.gov/vote)
- Enter your name, birthday, and zip code to see the status of your absentee ballot.
- If you have questions about the status, contact your local clerk.
Your voter information

This page provides helpful information about where to find your clerk, polling place, and sample ballots.
If you're already registered, use the form below to:
- Find your polling place location and hours
- View a sample ballot
- Track an absentee ballot, and more...

Search for your voter information

Entering the information below helps us securely identify you in our database.

Required fields are marked with an asterisk.*

- First name
- Last name
- Birth month
  Select
- Birth year
- ZIP code

Clear name form  Search by name

Search for your city/township clerk

Required fields are marked with an asterisk.*

Please enter your residential street number, street name and city or ZIP code to search for your clerk’s contact information.

- Address
  Enter your address here
  Clear address  Search by address

Search by county

Required fields are marked with an asterisk.*

Select a County for a list of all clerks’ contact information.

County
  Select
  Clear County  Search By County
Voting Absentee: Permanent List

- To add your name/address to the Ann Arbor permanent absentee ballot request list, visit bit.ly/a2absenteeballot
- To find out more about absentee voting in Michigan, go to https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/Home/VoteAtHome
- Remember to update your voter registration and absentee ballot request address when you move!
Voting In Person

- Check your registration status, polling place, and local clerk’s information at Michigan.gov/vote
- Did you know: Students can use their MCard when voting in-person on Election Day! Driver’s license/state ID are also acceptable
- Wear a mask, practice social distancing and prepare for lines
- If you change your mind after receiving an absentee ballot and decide to vote in person, remember to turn in your blank absentee ballot at your polling place
- If you’re interested in being a poll worker in Michigan, visit https://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,4670,7-127-1633_11976_98803---,00.html
Action Steps

1. Register others to vote
   Help people get registered, check their registration status, and find their polling place at Michigan.gov/vote

2. Help people understand the absentee voting process
   Educate friends, neighbors, and family members on how to request a ballot (you can print the forms for them!), submit the application to their clerk, and return their absentee ballot on time.

3. Get out the vote
   There are lots of local, state, and national organizations that are working to mobilize voters. Find one in your area!
City Clerk’s Office

City Hall:
Second Floor
301 E Huron St
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

UMMA Satellite Office:
Beginning the week of 9/21
Hours TBD

Contact Info:
734-794-6140
CityClerk@a2gov.org
Have Questions? Want Reminders? Need Stamps?

● Questions
  ○ Visit govote.umich.edu

● Assistance/Updates
  ○ Text “UMvote” to 833-4-UMVOTE = (833) 486-8683
  ○ Email voterregquestions@umich.edu

● Stamps/Envelopes
  ○ Fill out this form https://bit.ly/stamprequest and we’ll send them.

● Want to join Turn Up Turnout and help lead the Big Ten Voting Challenge? Email ltwoods@umich.edu
Other Resources

- [GoVote.umich.edu](http://GoVote.umich.edu) (FAQ section)
- [Vote411.org](http://Vote411.org)
- [Michigan.gov/StudentVoting](http://Michigan.gov/StudentVoting)
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Upcoming Dates:

Voter Registration Week:
September 21-25, 2020
(National Voter Registration Day is 9/22)

General Election:
November 3, 2020