

3.A General Principles

Founded in 1817 as one of the nation's first public universities, the University of Michigan's mission is "to serve the people of Michigan and the world through preeminence in creating, communicating, preserving, and applying knowledge, art, and academic values, and in developing leaders and citizens who will challenge the present and enrich the future." The [University Mission Statement](#) and information about the University's vision and goals are available online.

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