

Global Talent Retention Initiative (GTRI)

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Quality score: 67/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Since 2011, Michigan's University Research Corridor and Global Detroit have run the US's first international-student retention program: 63% of 2,500+ OPT/CPT trainees stayed in Michigan, edging out the 59% in-state rate for domestic graduates.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-20

[Global Detroit / University Research Corridor \(Michigan\)](#) — accessed 2026-07-20

[Global Detroit -- GTRI program page](#) — accessed 2026-07-20

[Research Universities for Michigan -- GTRI overview](#) — accessed 2026-07-20

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