

# **Michigan College of Mines**

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## **GENERAL STATEMENT**

The Michigan College of Mines was established by an Act of the Legislature in 1885. The act was entitled "An Act to establish and regulate a Mining School in the Upper Peninsula." The Act vests the government of the institution in a Board of Control of six members appointed by the Governor of the State, by and with the consent of the Senate. Two members of the Board are appointed each alternate year to serve six years.

Sec. 5 of this Act provides: "The course of instruction shall embrace geology, mineralogy, chemistry, mining and mining engineering and such other branches of practical and theoretical knowledge as will, in the opinion of the board, conduce to the end of enabling the students of said institution to obtain a full knowledge of the science, art and practice of mining, and the application of machinery thereto."

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The concentration of effort on training men for the field of mining, the location of the College in a district where its students live in a mining atmosphere, together with its special methods of instruction, and manner of using the mining environment, have brought to the institution a large measure of success.

The College was established for, and exists only for the purpose of training men to take an active part in the development of the mineral wealth of the state and nation. The concentration of effort on a particular line of training has its advantages. ....