Michigan's Online Course Catalog was developed in the fall of 2013 as a result of Public Act 60 of 2013. This legislation allows students in grades 5 through 12 who are enrolled in a Michigan public local district or public school academy (not including full-time cyber schools) and who have consent from their parent or guardian to take up to two online courses per academic term. Consent of the parent or legal guardian is not required if the student is at least age 18 or is an emancipated minor.

Michigan's Online Course Catalog is divided into two types of catalogs. District Catalogs include the online course syllabi information for courses where enrollment is restricted to only those students who attend the district. The Statewide Catalog, on the other hand, includes the online course syllabi information for online courses that are available to students attending any qualifying Michigan public school.

Third-party providers of online courses may register through this catalog website and include syllabi and other information on their courses. These syllabi are not viewable to the general public, but may be imported for use by a district seeking to use third-party course content for its online course offerings.

The public can browse both individual district catalogs as well as the statewide catalog using this website, and do not need to register for an account to do so. This site is intended to be a general source of information for parents, students, and schools as well as to provide them with contact information needed to enroll in an online course offering. *Michigan's Online Course Catalog* does not include enrollment functionality. Instead, each provider of an online course includes the enrollment contact information as part of the online course syllabus.