



TEACH for Graduate Students

The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) grant program provides grants of up to **\$4,000 per academic year** (up to a \$16,000 lifetime maximum) to any level of education students. As a student considering a master's degree in education, you may be eligible for this federal grant program, if you agree to serve in a high needs field and in a low-income school for four years within eight years of completing your degree.

Who is Eligible for a TEACH grant?

- Students must meet the **basic eligibility requirements** for the federal student aid programs.
- Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25.
- Students must teach in a high needs field serving low-income students. High needs fields and low income schools are defined by the government, and can change year over year. A school's eligibility for other state or federal aid programs does not guarantee that it will be eligible for TEACH funding, so please be sure that your school will be eligible.
 - **Current high needs fields**
 - **Current low income schools** - If a school is not listed for an academic year, any teaching in that school will not count towards the four-year requirement.

What is the Process?

TEACH grants are administered via the federal student aid system, and are tied to the academic calendar. You'll work with our financial aid office to make sure you're fully eligible and finalize all the paperwork.

1. **File the FAFSA** for the current academic year, and meet the basic eligibility requirements for federal student aid.
2. Respond to all requests for information or documentation.
3. Sign the agreement to serve and **complete TEACH counseling**.
4. Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.25 throughout the program.

What Would Make a Grad Student Ineligible?

To be ineligible, you would have to hit the \$16,000 maximum for the TEACH grant.

TEACH CHECKLIST:

- Tell your advisor that you're interested
- Filed FAFSA
- Submitted all official college transcripts