

TEACH Grant

Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher
Education (TEACH) Grant Program



About TEACH...

The U.S. Department of Education's (DOE) TEACH Grant program provides grant funds to postsecondary students:

- completing or plan to complete coursework that is needed to begin a career in teaching
- agree to serve for at least four years as a full-time, highly qualified teacher in a high-need field, at an elementary school, secondary school, or educational service agency serving low-income families
- completing the required four years of teaching within eight years of completing the course of study for which a TEACH Grant was received
 - Failure to meet the requirements of your service obligation, all TEACH Grant funds you received will be converted to a Direct Unsubsidized Loan. You must repay this loan in full, with interest charged from the date of each TEACH Grant disbursement.



Eligibility Requirements

- Must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.gov
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or Eligible Non-Citizen
- Must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for Financial Aid
- Must maintain a cumulative 3.25 GPA (checked at the end of each semester)
- Must not have a prior undergraduate or master's degree
- Must submit [KSU TEACH Grant Agreement](#)
- Must sign a [TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve](#)
- Must complete [TEACH Grant Counseling](#)



Eligibility Requirements – Bagwell College of Education

- Must be admitted as a degree-seeking student in KSU Bagwell College of Education
- Must be classified as a junior/senior (minimum 60 earned semester hours) or enrolled in an approved master's degree program at KSU Bagwell College of Education
- Must be seeking a degree, at KSU, in one of the following majors determined to be TEACH eligible by the institution:
 - Foreign Language Education
 - Mathematics (Middle Grades or Secondary)
 - Science (Middle Grades or Secondary-Biology, Chemistry or Physics)
 - Special Education (Individual General Curriculum)
 - Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
 - Reading Specialist
 - Early Childhood Education



TEACH Grant Award Eligibility

A full-time TEACH Grant recipient may receive an annual award of \$4,000, for a maximum of \$16,000, for the student's first baccalaureate and first post-baccalaureate programs combined. Programs after the first baccalaureate are not eligible. A graduate student may receive \$4000, for a maximum of \$8,000, for a master's degree program.

- Full-time enrollment (12+ credit hours): \$4,000
- Three-quarter-time enrollment (9-11 credit hours): \$3,000
- Half-time enrollment (6-8 credit hours): \$2,000
- Less-than-half-time enrollment (5 credit hours or less): \$1,000

***Award amounts are decreased based on enrollment hours. The annual amount is subject to change based on federal sequestration.**



High-Need Fields

The U.S. Department of Education provides an annual [Teacher Shortage Area Nationwide Listing](#) for eligible high-need fields. The eligible high-need fields for 2017 - 2018 academic year are:

- Foreign Language
- Mathematics
- Reading Specialist
- Science
- Special Education
- Early Childhood Education



Tracking of TEACH Grant Service

Within 120 days of completing or otherwise ceasing enrollment in your program of study, you must [certify](#) to the U.S. Department of Education:

- your employed full-time as a teacher in accordance with the terms and conditions of the service agreement,
- or you are not yet employed as a full-time teacher but you intend to meet the terms and conditions of the service agreement

At the end of each year, if you are performing full-time teaching service in accordance with the service agreement, you must provide the DOE with the following:

- documentation of your teaching service on a [DOE-approved](#) form that is certified by the chief administrative officer of the school in which you are teaching
- the form must document that you are a highly qualified teacher, teaching in any of the designated high-need fields, in a designated low-income school



TEACH Grant Resources

- KSU Student Financial Aid Office
 - kfa_teach@Kennesaw.edu
 - [KSU TEACH Grant Agreement Form](#)
 - (770)-423-6074
- KSU Bagwell College of Education
 - [Ms. Kellie Oxford](#), Certification Officer
- Department of Education
 - <https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/index.action>
 - TEACH Grant Counseling
 - TEACH Agreement to Serve (ATS)
 - <http://www.MyFedLoan.org/TEACH>
 - TEACH Grant Servicer
 - TEACH Grant Certification Form
 - TEACH Grant Temporary Suspension
 - TEACH Grant Conversion to a Loan

