

Get started today!



TEACH GRANT

FEDERAL TEACH
EDUCATION
ASSISTANCE FOR
COLLEGE AND HIGHER
EDUCATION

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do you qualify?

make sure you are enrolled in a TEACH eligible program

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complete FAFSA

go to fafsa.ed.gov to complete application for the aid year in which you plan to will enroll in

3

meet requirements

complete fafsa, 3.25 GPA or 75th percentile in SAT/ACT, enroll in eligible program



The Federal Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant is a non-need based Grant available to students in an eligible program and agrees to teach as a highly-qualified teacher in a high-need field, at a low-income elementary or secondary school for at 4 years, within 8 years of completing the program for which the TEACH grant was awarded. Students must be juniors or seniors admitted to the College of Education at UTRGV.

federal eligibility requirements

To receive a TEACH Grant, students must:

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Meet the general eligibility requirements for federal student aid.
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
- Undergraduate students must be classified as a junior or senior accepted into the Teacher Preparation Program.
- Be enrolled in a program of study designated as TEACH Grant-eligible. Eligible programs are those that prepare a student to teach in a high-need area.
- **Sign** the TEACH Grant *Agreement to Serve (ATS)* and **complete** the TEACH Grant Counseling.
- Responds to requests by the U.S. Department of Education confirming continuing intention to meet the teaching obligation.

For more information on admission requirements into the Teacher Education Program, please visit utrgv.edu/finaid for more information.



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undergraduate:

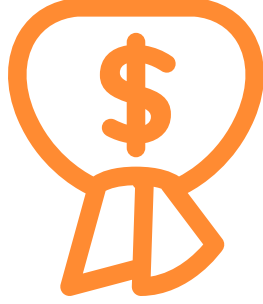
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Bilingual Education
- Biology
- Interdisciplinary Studies – English as a Second Language
- Chemistry
- Bilingual/ Bicultural
- Mathematics
- Mathematical Science
- Reading & Literacy
- Elementary Education – Bilingual
- Interdisciplinary
- Special Education
- Secondary Education
- Math
- Science
- Curriculum and Instruction

graduate:

- MED in Elementary ED Bilingual
- MED in Reading and Literacy (Reading Specialist track only)
- MED in Special Education (Accelerated Programs only)
- MED in Secondary Education
- MED in Curriculum and Instruction:
 - o Science Education
 - o Math Education
 - o Elementary Science and Math Education
 - o Core with Math and Science Focus

Availability of TEACH Grant

There is no need to apply. The College of Education identifies potentially eligible students who are admitted into an eligible program in the College of Education and are pursuing a high-need area according to the TEACH requirements. The Financial Aid Office verifies further eligibility and awards based on meeting eligibility requirements.



Undergrad and Graduates can receive up to \$4,000 per year:

- Fulltime (12 hr or more) - \$4,000, \$2,000 per semester
- Three Quarter time (9-11 hr) - \$3,000, \$1,500 per semester
- Half time (6-8 hr) - \$2,000, \$1,000 per semester
- Less than half time (less than 3 hr) - \$1,000, \$500 per semester

Accelerated Program (AP) students can receive up to \$4,000 per year:

- Fulltime (6hr) - \$4,000, \$1,000 per module
- Half time (3hr) - \$2,000, \$500 per module

AWARDS ARE DISBURSED BY SEMESTER & ENROLLMENT HOURS

planning ahead.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

As freshman and sophomores at UTRGV, students are **not** accepted into the College of Education, therefore:

- ✔ Strive to obtain an institutional GPA of 3.25

- ✔ Obtain a 75th percentile in a national exam such as SAT or ACT

- ✔ Plan to teach in a high need area

remember:

You must teach as a highly-qualified teacher in a secondary school for at least 4 years, within 8 years of completing the program for which the TEACH grant was awarded. Failure to complete the required teaching service results in conversion of the TEACH Grant to a **Federal Unsubsidized Loan with interest** accruing from the date the grant was disbursed.

What are high need fields?

High-need fields are bilingual education and English language acquisition, foreign language, mathematics, reading specialist, science, and special education, as well as any other field that has been identified as high-need by the federal government, a state government, or a local education agency, and that are included in ED's annual Teacher Shortage Area Nationwide Listing.

If you are planning to teach in a high-need field that is included in the Nationwide List, that field must be listed for the state where you teach at the time you begin your qualifying teaching service or at the time you sign the Agreement to Serve.