

TEACH Grant Application 2026-2027

The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant is awarded by UTPB to students who are completing, or intend to complete, coursework to begin a career in teaching and who agree to serve for a minimum of four years as a full-time, highly-qualified, high-need field teacher in a low-income school. For more information regarding highly-qualified teachers, high-need subject areas and schools serving low-income students visit:

<https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/grants/teach>

In order to review your application, student must submit a complete pdf application and all required documents, which will include the following;

- 2-page application
- Agreement to Serve (ATS) – submit downloadable PDF file from www.studentaid.gov
- TEACH Grant Counseling from www.studentaid.gov
- Signed degree plan – Obtained from advisor, signed by **STUDENT and ACADEMIC ADVISOR**
- Teaching Certificate / Certification Plan – Current teachers submit a valid teaching certificate. If no certificate submits a Certification plan (along with degree plan), which can obtain from the Academic Advisor.
- Semester Schedule – Obtained from student portal (needed per semester)

In order to qualify, you must:

- Complete the 2026-2027 FAFSA
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- Be admitted into an approved UTPB Degree Program

Master of Arts in Teaching Bilingual Education

Master in Computer Science

Master in Math

Master in Arts in English SL

Master of Education in Special Education

- Have a 3.25 cumulative GPA from your bachelor's degree

Each academic year complete the following:

Current Year TEACH Grant Application (this form)

Current Year TEACH Grant Initial and Subsequent Counseling and

Current Year TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve www.studentaid.gov

Complete the TEACH Grant Application and submit to the Office of Financial Aid.

In order to maintain grant status after graduation, you must:

Serve as a full-time teacher in a low-income school, as a highly-qualified teacher, and in a high-need field (as listed in the Nationwide List for the state in which you will be teaching) for the majority of classes taught for at least four years within eight calendar years of leaving the program for which you received the TEACH Grant

Write to the U.S. Secretary of Education (within 120 days of completing or otherwise leaving the program of study for which the TEACH Grant was received) confirming that you are employed as a full-time teacher in accordance with the terms of the TEACH Grant, or you are not yet employed as a full-time teacher but intend to meet the terms of the TEACH Grant service agreement

Upon completion of each year of teaching service, submit documentation of that service in the form of a certification by a chief administrative officer of the school. Comply with all other terms, conditions, and requirements that the Secretary of Education deems necessary

If you fail to meet any of these terms, the TEACH Grant funds you receive will convert into a Federal Direct Unsubsidized loan, with interest accrued and capitalized from the date of original disbursement. Once this grant is converted to a loan, it cannot be converted back to a grant.

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Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Phone: _____

DOB: _____

SSN: _____

Term/Semester:

Fall _____

Spring _____

Summer _____

The TEACH Grant is awarded by UTPB to students who are completing, or intend to complete, coursework to begin a career in teaching and who agree to serve for a minimum of four years as a full-time, highly-qualified, high-need field teacher in a low income school. If students awarded the TEACH Grant fail to meet any of the mentioned requirements (located on the first page of this application), **the grant will convert into a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan, with interest accrued and capitalized from the date of original disbursement.**

If a student is eligible to receive the TEACH Grant, the student will be awarded an estimated amount based on full-time enrollment and the current year sequester. If the student is enrolled less than full-time, the amount of the annual TEACH Grant that he or she may receive must be reduced accordingly. **The amount of your TEACH Grant is subject to change during the academic year.** This form will **not** be processed if any items are left blank or illegible. Allow up to 14 business days for processing. This timeframe may vary depending on the time of the year and volume of requests our office receives.

Section 1 – Required Student Eligibility

*** Effective Fall 2023 the only students eligible to apply for Teach Grant are Graduate Students. Undergraduate students currently receiving Teach Grant, will be grandfathered in***

I am currently a(n): **(Choose one)**

Undergraduate Student with Previous Teach Grant Graduate/Professional Student

Please indicate your Major/Degree: _____

I have received the TEACH Grant before: **(Choose one)**

Yes No

I meet one of the following academic requirements: **(Choose one)**

I have a 3.25 cumulative GPA at UTPB

- I have not yet completed a semester at UTPB; however, I have a final high school (*freshman only*) or postsecondary (*transfer students only*) 3.25 non-weighted cumulative GPA. **Attach a copy of your unofficial transcript.**

Section 2 – Required Student Certification

I certify that the information on this TEACH Grant Application is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I have:

Completed the 2026-2027 Agreement to Serve -**Attach Documentation**

Read and reviewed the Teach Grant information at <https://studentaid.gov/>

Completed the 2026-2027 Teach Grant Entrance Counseling-**Attach Documentation**

Enrolled in a High need field as considered by the Department of Education-**Must attach an approved Degree Plan if receiving TEACH Grant for the first time.**

Please provide a copy of your teacher certification plan.

Must attach a copy of your current semester class schedule with the number of credit hours being taken.

Student's Signature _____ Date: _____

Student's Physical Signature (electronic/typed signatures are not accepted)

Section 3 – Financial Aid Verification (STAFF USE ONLY)

The student whose name appears on this form is currently pursuing TEACH Grant funding with the Financial Aid Office. Please complete the items below. **Without this information, the student's application cannot be processed.**

Did the student submit all necessary documentation to receive the Teach Grant?

- Yes No

Is the student currently completing coursework and other requirements necessary for a career in teaching?

- Yes No

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Award Amounts

There are both annual and aggregate limits associated with the TEACH Grant. Award amounts are prorated based on enrollment status per term.

Award amounts for grants that disburse on or after October 1, 2026 and before October 1, 2027:

\$3772 year

Graduate

Full time (12-9 hrs.)-\$1886 semester \$3772 year

$\frac{1}{2}$ time (6-8 hrs.)-\$943 semester \$1886 year

Less than half time-\$472 semester \$943 year

Undergraduate

Full time (12 hrs.)-\$1886 semester \$3762 year

$\frac{3}{4}$ time (9-11 hrs.)-\$1414 semester \$2829 year

$\frac{1}{2}$ time (6-8 hrs.)-\$943 semester \$1886 year

Less than half time-\$472 semester \$943 year

students may receive more than one annual limit of Teach Grant funding in an academic year and second annual awards would be subject to the award amounts based on disbursement date

Aggregate Limits:

Undergraduate \$16,000 Graduate \$8000 ¹