

To receive a TEACH Grant, you must do the following:

- Meet the [basic eligibility criteria for the federal student aid programs](#).
- Complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA®\)](#).
- Be enrolled in a TEACH-Grant-eligible program. At Greenville, this means you are enrolled as a traditional undergraduate with an education major, as a UTEP student, or as an Education Master's student.

*A TEACH-Grant-eligible program is a program of study that is designed to prepare you to teach as a highly qualified teacher in a high-need field and that leads to a bachelor's or master's degree or is a post baccalaureate program. A two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree is considered a program that leads to a bachelor's degree. A post baccalaureate program is **not** TEACH-Grant-eligible if it is offered by a school that also offers a bachelor's degree in education. Schools that participate in the TEACH Grant Program determine which of the programs they offer are TEACH-Grant-eligible. A program that is TEACH-Grant-eligible at one school might not be TEACH-Grant-eligible at another school. Contact the financial aid office at the school you are attending (or that you plan to attend) to find out which programs at that school are eligible.*

- Meet certain academic achievement requirements (generally, scoring above the 75th percentile on one or more portions of a college admissions test or maintaining a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25). For specific information about the academic requirements, talk to the financial aid office
- **Complete TEACH Grant Counseling**: that explains the terms and conditions of the TEACH Grant service obligation. You must complete counseling each year. <https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchTeach.action>

What are the terms and conditions of the TEACH Grant service obligation? *In exchange for receiving a TEACH Grant, you must agree to the following:*

- You must serve as a full-time teacher for a total of at least four academic years within eight years after you complete or otherwise cease to be enrolled in the program(s) for which you received TEACH Grant funds.
- You must perform the teaching service as a [highly qualified teacher](#) at a low-income school or educational service agency.
- Elementary and secondary schools (public and private) and educational service agencies serving low-income students are listed in the annual [Teacher Cancellation Low-Income Directory](#). In addition, elementary or secondary schools operated by the Department of the Interior's [Bureau of Indian Education \(BIE\)](#) or operated on Indian reservations by Indian tribal groups under contract or grant with the BIE qualify as low-income schools.
- Your teaching service must be in a high-need field:
 - *bilingual education & English language acquisition,*
 - *foreign language,*
 - *mathematics,*
 - *any other field that has been identified as high-need by the federal government, a state government, or a local education agency, and that is included in the annual [Teacher Shortage Area Nationwide Listing \(Nationwide List\)](#). If you plan 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 either at the time you begin your qualifying teaching service or at the time you received a TEACH Grant.*
 - *reading specialist,*
 - *science, and*
 - *special education, as well as*
- You must provide the U.S. Department of Education with documentation of your progress toward completing your service obligation.
- **Sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve**: Each year that you receive a TEACH Grant, you must sign an Agreement to Serve. The agreement explains the terms and conditions for receiving a TEACH Grant. By signing the Agreement to Serve, you agree to these terms and conditions and acknowledge that if you do not fulfill the service obligation described in the agreement, the TEACH Grant funds you received will be converted to a loan that you must repay. <https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchTeach.action>

If you do not 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.