2016-2017 TEACH Grant Application

Complete Sections A, B, and C and return this form to the College of Education Office of Educational Services, N310 LC.

The TEACH Grant provides up to a maximum yearly amount of $4,000 in grants to students who agree to serve as a full-time teachers in a high-need field in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves students from low-income families. Currently, the maximum is slightly less than $4,000 due to federal sequestration.

IMPORTANT: If the service commitment is not fulfilled, the grant is permanently converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan to be repaid by the recipient with interest accruing from the time of the grant disbursement.

Section A. Student Information

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Section B. Student Eligibility

I certify that I meet or I will meet the student eligibility requirements as follows:

- I have completed (or will complete) the 2016-2017 FAFSA.
- I am a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
- I am admitted to the following approved University of Iowa College of Education program in a TEACH Grant high-need field:
  - Bilingual Education and English Language Acquisition
  - Foreign Language
  - Mathematics
  - Reading Specialist
  - Science
  - Special Education
  - Other (Specify Area):____________________________________________________

See the “other identified teacher shortage areas”: www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.doc

- I meet the following academic requirement:
  - I am an entering graduate student scoring above the 75th percentile on my GRE.
  - I am a continuing graduate student maintaining a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25.
  - I am an undergraduate admitted to the College of Education scoring above the 75th percentile on a nationally-normed standardized admissions test.
  - I am an undergraduate student admitted to the College of Education maintaining at least a 3.25 GPA.

- I will complete TEACH Grant counseling in person with Office of Student Financial Aid.
- I will sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve and Promise to Pay each year (available on-line at https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/index.action
- I will teach, for at least four out of my first eight years of teaching, at a school serving low-income students (see annual directory at www.tcli.ed.gov/CBSWebApp/tcli/TCLIPubSchoolSearch.jsp.
- I will teach full-time in a high-need subject (see areas specified in the annual listing at www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.doc).
- I will annually provide documentation to the U.S. Department of Education that I completed the teaching obligation and this will be certified by the school’s chief administrative officer.
Section C. Student Certification

I understand that the TEACH Grant program has specific service obligations that must be met in order for the award to remain a grant. If I fail to meet all of the conditions of the award or if the conditions are not documented as required, I understand that the award will permanently convert to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan and that I will be responsible to repay this loan with interest accrued from the disbursement date of the grant. I understand that once a TEACH Grant is converted to a loan, it cannot be converted back to a grant.

Student Signature __________________________ Date ______________

Section D. College of Education Certification

Please certify the status of this student in terms of meeting the program area and academic requirements.

Student meets the **program area** requirement:  
☐ Yes Specify Area: ____________________________  
☐ No

Student meets the **academic** requirement:  
☐ Yes  
☐ No

College of Education Signature __________________________ Date ______________

Section E. Office of Student Financial Aid Certification

TEACH Grant counseling was completed on: ____________________________ OSFA Staff: ________________

TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve/Promise to Pay completed:  
☐ Yes  
☐ No

TEACH Grant amount awarded: $________________ Date: ________________ OSFA Staff: __________

Your Next Steps:

1. **Return this form** to the College of Education Office of Educational Services, N310LC.
2. After the College of Education and the Office of Student Financial Aid have reviewed your application, you will receive an email asking you to **schedule an appointment with a financial aid staff member** to complete the required in-person TEACH Grant counseling.
3. After the in-person counseling, you will be instructed to **complete the on-line Agreement to Serve (ATS) form**. You will not be able to access the Agreement to Serve on-line prior to that time.
4. Once all requirements are complete, the TEACH Grant will process through the federal financial aid system and be disbursed like other financial aid, through the UI Billing Office. **Be sure you have set up Direct Deposit with the UI Billing Office.**