



2026-2027 TEACH GRANT APPLICATION

Complete Sections A, B, and C and **return this form to the College of Education Office of Student Services via email educ-licensure@uiowa.edu or to N201 LC.**

The TEACH Grant provides up to a maximum yearly amount of \$4,000 in grants to students who agree to serve as full-time teachers in a high-need teaching field at a low-income public or private school or education service agency. Currently, the maximum is slightly less than \$4,000 due to federal sequestration.

IMPORTANT: If the service commitment is not fulfilled, the grant will permanently be converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan, which must be repaid with interest. Interest will accrue retroactively from the time that each grant was disbursed.

Section A: Student Information

Student Name: _____

UI ID Number: _____

Iowa Email Address: _____

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 2026-2027 FAFSA.
 - ☐ I am a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
 - ☐ I am admitted to a **qualified program** or programs:
 - ☐ a preparation program for initial licensure as a teacher or school counselor; or
 - ☐ a master's degree program and a program for an added endorsement in teaching or school counseling.
- ☐ The program or programs to which I am admitted provide preparation for teaching or practice in a TEACH Grant **high-need field**:
 - ☐ Bilingual Education
 - ☐ English Language Acquisition
 - ☐ Mathematics
 - ☐ Science (including, but not limited to computer science)
 - ☐ Special Education
 - ☐ World Language
 - ☐ Any other field that is identified in the US Department of Education Teacher Shortage Area Data as high need in the state of Iowa for the academic year. Specify the teacher shortage area: _____
See the other identified teacher shortage areas in Iowa and other states: <https://tsa.ed.gov/#/home/>
- ☐ I meet **one** of the following **academic requirements**:
 - ☐ 3.25 GPA (undergraduates - Overall Cumulative GPA or UI Cumulative GPA; entering graduate students - Overall Cumulative GPA on all undergraduate courses; continuing graduate students - UI Cumulative GPA on graded graduate courses)
 - ☐ Test score above 75th percentile nationally (ACT Composite; SAT Composite; GRE Verbal Reasoning, Quantitative Reasoning, or Analytical Writing; Praxis Core Reading, Writing, or Mathematics; or Other standardized admission test.) Specify test: _____
- ☐ I will complete TEACH Grant counseling with the Office of Student Financial Aid.
- ☐ I will sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve or Repay each year (available online: <https://studentaid.gov>).
- ☐ I will teach for at least four out of my first eight years of teaching at a school serving low-income students (see annual school directory at <https://studentaid.gov/tcli/directory-search>).
- ☐ I will teach full-time in a high-need field (see areas specified in the annual listing: <https://tsa.ed.gov/#/home/>).
- ☐ I will submit the TEACH grant certification form annually upon each year of qualified teaching service.

Section C: Student Certification

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

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Your Next Steps:

1. Return this form to the College of Education Office of Student Services via email educ-licensure@uiowa.edu or at N201 LC.
2. After the College of Education and the Office of Student Financial Aid review your application, Financial Aid will email you to schedule an appointment to complete TEACH Grant counseling.
3. Complete the online Agreement to Serve or Repay. You will not be able to access the Agreement to Serve or Repay until you have completed TEACH Grant counseling with the financial aid office.
4. Once all requirements are complete, the TEACH Grant will apply to your U-Bill, which can take up to two weeks.

Section D: College of Education Certification

I certify that this student meets the qualified program, high-need field, and academic requirements:

Student is admitted to a **qualified program**

- ☐ Yes, a preparation program for initial licensure
☐ Yes, a master's degree program and an added endorsement program
☐ No

Program meets the **high-need field** requirement:

- ☐ Yes, specify field: _____
☐ No

Student meets the **academic** requirement:

- ☐ Yes, specify requirement: _____
☐ 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 or Repay completed: ☐ Yes
☐ No

TEACH Grant amount awarded: \$ _____

Date: _____