



2025-2026 Federal TEACH Grant Application

In addition to completing this Federal TEACH Grant Application, prospective applicants will need to complete initial and subsequent [TEACH Grant counseling](#) and the [TEACH Agreement to Serve or Repay \(Agreement\)](#).

Name: _____ ID#: _____

Check your grade level: ☐ Junior ☐ Senior ☐ Teacher Certification ☐ Graduate

Educational Information

Major: _____

Certification/Specialty: _____

Concentration: _____

I meet the following Federal TEACH Grant qualifications:

☐ I have completed the online FAFSA form.

☐ I am a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen.

☐ I am enrolled in a TEACH Grant-eligible program that leads to a baccalaureate or master's degree, or is a post-baccalaureate program of study.

☐ I am enrolled in coursework that is necessary to begin a career in teaching or plan to complete such coursework.

☐ I plan to teach in a low-income [Title I qualifying school](#).

☐ I plan to teach in a high-need field as outlined by the U.S. Department of Education as listed in the Department of Education's Annual [Teacher Shortage Area Nationwide Listing](#).



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In addition to the above requirements:

☐ I have scored above 75th percentile on one of the following college admissions test(s): ACT or SAT or I have a cumulative college GPA of at least a 3.25 on a 4.0 scale. (Cumulative College(s) for Transfers).

OR

☐ I am enrolled in the Master of Arts in Teaching program and I am a teacher with expertise in a field in which there is a shortage of teachers, such as mathematics, science, special education, English language acquisition, or another high-need subject.

I understand the initial eligibility requirements of both the federal government and Sacred Heart University for receipt of the Federal TEACH Grant Program and the conditions for renewal of the award for future academic terms. I understand that receipt of Federal TEACH Grant Program funding in no way implies or guarantees admittance to the Teacher Certification Program or Graduate Program at Sacred Heart University. Admittance to the Teacher Certification Program or Graduate Program at Sacred Heart University requires approval from the Office of Graduate Admissions. Criteria for admittance to these programs are subject to change and current requirements can be requested from the Office of Graduate Admissions.

I understand the teaching requirements outlined in the Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement) and if I fail to meet the full conditions, the funds received through the TEACH Grant will be converted to a Direct Unsubsidized Direct Loan including interest charged from the date of disbursement.

Student's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement) & Initial and Subsequent Counseling

Complete the online [Agreement to Serve or Repay \(Agreement\)](#), [TEACH Counseling](#), and complete the information below. Please note: When you sign the Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement), you agree:

- to serve as a full-time, highly qualified teacher for at least four elementary or secondary school years within eight years of completing, or otherwise ceasing to be enrolled in, the program for which you received the TEACH Grant.
- to teach in a low-income school.
- to teach in a high-need field in the majority of classes that you teach during the school year.
- to confirm with your TEACH Grant servicer in writing within 120 days after you have completed or ceased to be enrolled in a program for which you received a TEACH Grant that you are either employed as a full-time teacher following the terms and conditions of the Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement), or that you are not yet employed, but intend to meet the terms and conditions of the Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement).
- to annually certify your teaching service with your TEACH Grant servicer as described in the Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement).

To ensure that you will be able to meet the requirements of the Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement), please visit the following websites:

- [Designated Low Income Schools](#)
- [Teacher Shortage Areas Nationwide List](#)

****Failure to meet the teaching service requirement and the conditions outlined in the Agreement to Serve or Repay (Agreement) will result in your TEACH Grant being converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan with interest accrued from the date of disbursement. You will be responsible for repayment in full if this conversion occurs.**

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

This document may be submitted to the Office of Student Financial Assistance only via [SHUAwards](#) (Menu > My Documents > Upload it now!), regular mail, secure fax, or in person as it contains personally identifiable information.

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