TEACH GRANT

Overview
TEACH PROGRAM

- Grant program that does not look at your FAFSA
- Up to $4,000 annually
- The student must sign a service agreement and complete all required counseling prior to receiving a TEACH Grant.
- Grant today Loan tomorrow
NATIONAL TEACHER SHORTAGES

The Department of Education has designated these areas as “teacher shortage” areas:

✓ Bilingual Education and English Language Acquisition
✓ Foreign Language
✓ Mathematics
✓ Reading Specialist
✓ Science
✓ Special Education
✓ Other Identified Teacher Shortage Areas (not geographic areas) as of the time recipients receive the grant or as of the time they begin teaching in that field.
CALIFORNIA SPECIFIC SHORTAGES

- English/Drama/Humanities
- History/Social Science
- Mathematics/Computer Education
- Physical Education/Health/Dance
- Science
- Self-Contained Class
- Special Education (Including State Special Schools)
TEACH AWARDS ANNUAL AMOUNTS

Similar to Pell

Sequestration: October 1, 2017 to October 1, 2018

- Full-time: $4000 - 6.90% = $3724
- ¾-time: $3000 – 6.90% = $2793
- ½-time: $2000 – 6.90% = $1862
- Less-than-half-time: $1000 – 6.90% = $ 931
TEACH AWARDS AGGREGATE AMOUNTS

Limits:
- Undergraduate and post-baccalaureate: $16,000
- Teach eligible master’s degree program: $ 8,000
Students must have 3.25 or must have scored above the 75th percentile on at least one of the batteries on a nationally-normed standardized undergraduate, postbaccalaureate, or graduate school admissions test.
EXCEPTIONS:

Students are not able to receive TEACH Grant and MCS

• CSAC considers TEACH a grant

• TEACH Grant is a higher amount; however, students must meet all requirements to keep the Grant categorized as a grant instead of converting to a loan
If the student fails to meet the requirements of the service agreement, the TEACH Grant will be treated as a Direct Unsubsidized loan, and the student must repay the TEACH funds, with interest accrued from the date of disbursement, through the Department’s Teach Grant Servicer.
A “year of service” consists of 12 consecutive months of service, except for teaching service, where the borrower must teach full-time for a full academic year or its equivalent.

https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/index.action
SERVICE AGREEMENT

Teaching service must be in a high needs school as determined by the U.S. Department of Education’s Teacher Cancellation Low Income Directory.

CONFIRMATION OF TEACHING OBLIGATION

Confirmation of service obligation is between the student and the servicer.

http://www.myfedloan.org/teach-grants/

“As the servicer of your grants, we will keep track of the potential interest that you'll have to repay if your grants are ever converted to loans. We will send you quarterly emails and an annual summary of this interest.”
U.S. Department of Education
TEACH Grant servicer
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TEACH Grant servicer Phone Numbers:

Toll free: 1-800-699-2908
TDD: 1-800-722-8189
International: 1-717-720-1985

TEACH Grant servicer Web site:

http://www.myfedloan.org/TEACH
Questions on TEACH Grant eligibility:

• TEACHGrant@csusm.edu
• Please include name and student ID