



## Federal Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant Program (TEACH Grant)

### What is the TEACH Grant?

The TEACH Grant provides up to \$3964 a year, to be prorated for less than full-time enrollment, up to a lifetime maximum of \$8000 for grant assistance to graduate students completing certain course work in teaching.

In exchange for the grant, a student must sign an agreement to serve as a full-time teacher at certain low-income schools\* within certain high-need fields\*\* for at least four academic years within eight years after completing (or ceasing enrollment in) the course of study for which the candidate received the TEACH Grant.

TEACH Grant recipients must submit evidence of employment as certified by the chief administrative officer of the school upon completion of each year of teaching service.

***If the grant recipient fails or refuses to carry out his or her teaching obligation, the amount of the TEACH Grants received are treated as an unsubsidized Direct Loan and must be repaid with interest accruing from the date of grant disbursement(s).***

### Who can get this grant?

As set forth by John Carroll University

- Graduate Students enrolled in the School Based Master of Education Program or the Professional Teacher Initial Licensure Program

### What are the eligibility requirements?

Recipients must

- Be above the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile on one part of the GRE admission test (requirement waived for current or former teachers), or
- Have at least a 3.25 cumulative GPA for each TEACH Grant payment period (requirement waived for current or former teachers)

### How do I apply?

Recipients are required to

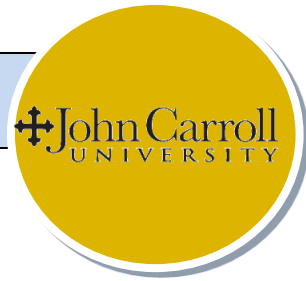
- File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Complete the JCU TEACH Grant application
- Attend the TEACH Grant JCU counseling session (contact JCU Office of Financial Aid for scheduling information)
- Sign and file with JCU Office of Financial Aid an Agreement to Serve in schools serving low-income students \* in a high-need field\*\* <https://teach-ats.ed.gov>.

\*Schools serving low-income students include any elementary or secondary school that is listed in the Department of Education's *Annual Director of Designated Low-Income Schools for Teacher Cancellation Benefits*. To access the Directory, please go to [www.tcli.ed.gov](http://www.tcli.ed.gov).

\*\* High-Need Fields are the specific areas identified as follows:

- Bilingual Education and English Language Acquisition
- Foreign Language
- Mathematics
- Reading Specialist
- Science
- Special Education
- Other identified teacher shortage areas as of the time you begin teaching in that field. These areas are listed in the Department of Education's *Annual Teacher Shortage Area Nationwide Listing*. To access the listing, please go to <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oep/pol/tsa.pdf>.

# TEACH GRANT APPLICATION



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

## Graduate Program:

School-Based Masters of Education \_\_\_\_\_ Professional Teacher Initial Licensure Masters of Education \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a current or former teacher? Yes / No

If not a current or former teacher have you scored above the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile on one part of the GRE admission test?

Yes / No If yes, Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Score: \_\_\_\_\_

If not a current or former teacher have you maintained a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25?

Yes / No Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the term and number of credit hours you plan to complete:

Summer 2015 Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Fall 2015 Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Spring 2016 Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_

**\*You must notify the Office of Financial Aid if there is a change in your intended credit hours. A change in enrollment may result in the return of funds.**

## Next Steps:

⇒ Complete TEACH Grant Initial Counseling <https://teach-ats.ed.gov>

⇒ Complete TEACH Agreement to Serve <https://teach-ats.ed.gov>

The *Agreement to Serve* will be unlocked by the Department of Education after the TEACH award has been made by the Office of Financial Aid. Please allow 3-5 business days for processing this application.

Both of the above steps, along with this application, must be completed each academic year you are requesting a TEACH Grant funds. Eligibility is based on enrollment and is limited to \$3728 each academic year, with a lifetime limit of \$8,000 for a full-time student.

## Please signing the statement below you are indicating your understanding of the conditions of the grant:

*I understand, as a recipient of the TEACH Grant, I must agree to serve as a full-time teacher in a high-need field that serves low-income students (as defined by the Department of Education) for at least four academic years within eight calendar years of completing the program of study. I also understand that if I fail or refuse to carry out my teaching obligation, the amounts of the TEACH Grants received are treated as an unsubsidized Direct Loan and must be repaid with interest accruing from the date of grant disbursement(s).*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

This form should be faxed to 216.397.3098, e-mailed to [enrollment@jcu.edu](mailto:enrollment@jcu.edu), or mailed to John Carroll University, Office of Financial Aid, 1 John Carroll Blvd., University Heights, OH 44118.

If you have questions about completing this form you can call 888-335-6800