TEACH Grant Facts
2023-2024

What is the Teach Grant?

The Teach Grant Program is the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education that provides grants of up to $4,000* per year to students who intend to teach in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serve students from low-income families. Students are eligible for a maximum of $16,000 for undergraduate and $8,000 for graduate students and are required to serve as a full-time teacher for at least four academic years within eight years of completing their eligible degree program.

*TEACH GRANT award amounts may be revised by the Department of Education at any time.

Who can get the Teach Grant at OU?

- OU students who meet the criteria on the form listed below may be considered for the grant.
- Students must be admitted to the OU Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education or be in one of the majors listed.
- A student must meet all the criteria listed on: https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/grants/teach and OU criteria.

What next?

To be considered for the Teach Grant at OU you must complete the action items listed here and complete the OU Teach Grant Interest Form below:

1. Complete the U.S. Department of Education Teach Grant Counseling at: https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchTeach.action
2. E-mail jrcoe.advising@ou.edu or call (405) 325-2238 to schedule an appointment with Dr. Cox.
3. Complete this OU Teach Grant Interest Form.
4. Submit the completed OU Teach Grant Interest Form to OU Student Financial Center.
5. OU Student Financial Center will notify the student through https://one.ou.edu if a TEACH Grant is awarded.
6. Complete the Teach Agreement to Serve form at: https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchTeach.action
7. Teach Grant funds should become available at the Office of the Student Financial Center 1-2 weeks after you complete the Teach Agreement to Serve (once the semester begins). Students planning on a summer semester start date must contact their program area coordinator.
OU TEACH Grant Interest Form 2023-2024

Student Name: ________________________________  Sooner ID#: ________________________________

OU E-mail: ________________________________  Day time phone #: ________________________________

STEP ONE: Are you admitted to the OU Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education and/or in one of the following majors?

Please select your major(s) from the list below and write it here (include Major Code):

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Bachelors:
Art- B050
Art-Studio Art- B060
Early Childhood Education – B285, B284, B283
Elementary Education – B355
Language Arts (English) – B625
English B375, Track 1–P421, Track 2–P696
Professional Writing B795
Math Education – B673
Mathematics – B670/B671
Music Education: Instrumental B708 & Vocal B709
Science Education – B830, B831, B832, B833, B834,
DFCA&S- Science Degrees – B080, B082, B100, B105, B155, B170, B175, B690- P459/P061, B691, B780, B781, B787-P521/P061
Geosciences- Geology B475, Environmental Geology B395
Social Studies Education – B837
Economics–B300, History–B505, Political Science–B790, Sociology–B845
Special Education – B855
World Language Education – B883 (all tracks)
Arabic – B030
Chinese – B180
French – B445
German – B490
Italian – B606
Japanese- B608
Latin – B205 (p.122 & p.411)
Russian – B825
Spanish – B850
Masters:
Early Childhood Education – M545 Q191
Elementary Education – M545 Q221
English Education – M545 Q236
English – M375, Q426
ILAC (Masters)* - M545
Math Education – M545 Q441
Mathematics M670, M671
Music Education (MME)
  Choral Conducting – M707 Q111
  Kodaly Concepts – M706 Q401
  Instrumental Conducting – M707 Q371
  Instrumental (Primary) – M708 Q373
  Instrumental (Secondary) – M708 Q372
  Vocal General – M706 Q686
Clinical Professional Counseling (School Counseling track) M203
Reading Education M545 Q566
Reading Specialist M812
Science Education – M545 Q591
DFCA&S- Science Degrees – M105 Q064, M170 Q101, M690 Q451, M780, M787 Q524
Social Studies Education – M545 Q616
History–M505, Political Science–M790, Sociology–M845, Economics M300 Q036
Special Education – M855; M856
STEM (Masters) – M545 Q592 (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)
World Language Education – M545 Q696
French M445
German M490
Spanish M850

Doctorate:
Early Childhood Education – D545 R191
Elementary Education – D545 R221
English Education – D545 R236
English – D375 R426 ILAC
(PhD)* - D545
Math Education D545 R441
Mathematics D670
Reading Education D545 R566
Science Education D545 R591
DFCA&S- Science Degrees D105 R064, D170 R101, D690 R451, D780, D787 R524
Social Studies Education – D545 R616
History–D505, Political Science–D790, Sociology–D845, Economics D300
Special Education (PhD) – D855
French D445
Spanish D850
STEP TWO: Have you completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the aid year listed above?

I have completed the FAFSA for ______________(aid year).

If not, go to https://fafsa.ed.gov/ and complete the FAFSA.

If yes, proceed to Step Three.

STEP THREE: Do you meet any of the below eligibility criteria? Check all that apply:

_____ I am an undergraduate and I have and will maintain a GPA of at least a 3.25 on a 4.00 scale.

_____ I am an undergraduate and I scored in the top 75 percent on a college admissions test (ACT 25, SAT 1200 (1130 for pre-January 2016 scores) or the appropriate score on any of the battery of tests).

_____ I am a graduate student in my first payment period and have an Undergraduate GPA of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale.

_____ I am a continuing graduate student and have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale.

_____ I scored in the top 75 percent on a college admissions test (GRE 318 (675 pre-8-2011).

_____ I am a current or former teacher or retiree from another occupation with expertise in a field where there is a shortage of teachers (e.g., Mathematics, Science, Special Education, Reading Specialists, Foreign Language, or another high-need field).

If you do not meet any eligibility criteria above, STOP. You are not eligible for the TEACH grant award. If you checked any of the criteria above, proceed to Step Four.

STEP FOUR: Contact the OU Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education for TEACH Grant counseling at 325-2238, jrcoe.advising@ou.edu

_____ I have received TEACH Grant counseling from the OU College of Education.

Confirmed by the signature of Dr. Cox:

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Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Advising

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Date
If you did not obtain TEACH grant counseling, STOP. You will not be eligible for a TEACH Grant award. If yes, proceed to Step Five.

**STEP FIVE: Complete Federal Stafford/Direct Loan Entrance Counseling**

The Federal Stafford/Direct Loan Entrance Counseling is available at: https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/index.action

Note: You only need complete Federal Stafford/Direct Loan Entrance Counseling once. If you have already completed this requirement, it will be listed as satisfied in the Student Financial Center section of your student portal (one.ou.edu). Log into the one portal at https://one.ou.edu, select Financial from the red banner at the top and then Student Financial Center to check if you have completed the entrance counseling.

Please print the confirmation page for your records.

I have completed Federal Stafford/Direct Loan Entrance Counseling

**STEP SIX:**

- I have read and understand all the requirements to receive the TEACH Grant award. I am interested in being considered for the TEACH Grant award. By signing this statement, I understand that I am not automatically eligible for the grant but that my eligibility will be reviewed.
- I understand that if I am awarded a TEACH Grant and receive other funds which exceed my cost of attendance, I will be required to repay the TEACH Grant according to federal regulations.
- I understand if I am awarded a TEACH Grant and decide not to become a highly qualified teacher in a low-income school in a high need field, I will notify the U.S. Department of Education at once so that my grant will be converted to a Federal Unsubsidized Stafford/Direct Loan.

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Signature  Date

Please submit the completed form and any required documentation to the Student Financial Center, Room 105 Buchanan Hall.

**STEP SEVEN: Complete the Agreement to Serve**

Each year a TEACH Grant is awarded, you must sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve.

Go to https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchTeach.action to complete the Agreement to Serve.