



WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY TEACH GRANT OPPORTUNITY

TEACH GRANT: "A federal grant that provides up to \$4,000 per year to students who agree to teach for four years at an elementary school, secondary school, or educational service agency that serves students from low-income families and to meet other requirements. If the service obligation is not met, the grant is converted to a Direct Unsubsidized Loan." U.S. Department of Education (<http://studentaid.ed.gov/>) *

* **Note:** Due to the Sequester, New TEACH Grant awards will be reduced by 6% (of the award amount for which you would have been eligible), resulting in a maximum award of \$3760.

Qualifying districts are subject to change at the discretion of the U.S. Department of Education.

A current listing is available: <https://www.tcli.ed.gov/CBSWebApp/tcli/>

Seven Steps to Secure and Maintain a **TEACH GRANT**

1. Be enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student in one of the appropriate liberal arts or science majors/ education (see list on second page)
2. Current undergraduates, incoming freshmen, transfer students and graduate students **must have and maintain** a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher to qualify (*Incoming freshmen may also qualify if they score above the 75th percentile on the SAT*)
3. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA – www.fafsa.ed.gov)
Make sure to secure a Personal Identification Number (PIN – www.pin.ed.gov) to sign your FAFSA electronically
4. Carefully review the rights and responsibilities of joining the program by accessing the following website
<https://studentaid.gov/teach-grant-program>
5. Complete the TEACH Grant **Initial Counseling Session** and the annual **Agreement to Serve** (ATS) available online at <https://studentaid.gov/teach-grant-program>
6. To continue to receive the Teach Grant, students must maintain the required GPA of 3.25 as well as complete the **FAFSA**, **Subsequent Counseling** and **Agreement to Serve** annually
7. Access your WPCconnect account to review e-mails and ensure the processing of all financial aid. All students who apply for the TEACH Grant will receive an e-mail notification from the William Paterson University Financial Aid Office.

TEACH Grant Eligible Programs

Undergraduate

Early Childhood/ Special Education (Teacher of Students with Disabilities)

Dual Licensure P-3/ Special Education (Teacher of Students with Disabilities) (all academic majors are eligible)

Early Childhood/ Bilingual

Dual Licensure P-3/ Bilingual (all academic majors are eligible)

Elementary/Special Education (Teacher of Students with Disabilities)

Dual Licensure K-5/Teacher of Students with Disabilities (all academic majors are eligible)

Elementary (K-5)/Bilingual

All academic majors

K-5/5-8 Middle School

Math, Science, Spanish, French, Chinese

K-5/ 5-8/ Teacher of Students with Disabilities (all academic majors are eligible)

Secondary K-12

Mathematics with K-12 Secondary Ed

Biology with K-12 Secondary Ed

Chemistry with K-12 Secondary Ed

Environmental Science with K-12 Secondary Ed

Secondary K-12 Subject /Special Education (Teacher of Students with Disabilities) (all academic majors are eligible)

Foreign Languages

Spanish with K-12 Secondary Ed

French with K-12 Secondary Ed

Asian Studies (Chinese and Japanese only) with K-12 Secondary Ed

Secondary/Bilingual

All academic majors (except English, Chinese, Spanish, French, and Japanese)

Graduate

M.Ed. Literacy- Reading Concentration

M.Ed. Curriculum and Learning- Teaching Children Mathematics Concentration

M.Ed. Curriculum and Learning- Middle and High School Mathematics Concentration

M.Ed. Curriculum and Learning- Bilingual/ESL Concentration

M.Ed. Special Education- Teaching Students with Disabilities Concentration

M.Ed. Special Education- Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant Concentration

M.A.T. K-5 with 5-8 (Math, Science Spanish, French, Chinese, Japanese)

M.A.T. K-5 and TSD

M.A.T. K-12 (Math, Science, Spanish, French, Chinese, Japanese)