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TEACH Grant Checklist for Student

- The Federal TEACH Grant program provides funds to postsecondary students who are completing or planning to complete coursework that is needed to begin a career in teaching.
- Eligible students may annually receive up to \$3,752 in TEACH Grant funds (for grants first disbursed on or after Oct. 1, 2018, and before Oct. 1, 2019) up to a maximum of \$16,000 for undergraduate and post-baccalaureate study, and \$8,000 for graduate study.
- Students who fail to complete the four years of teaching service within eight years after completing coursework, will have the TEACH grant funds converted to a loan.
- For more information about the TEACH Grant program, students should review these webpages:
 - <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sites/default/files/teach-grant.pdf>
 - <https://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships/teach>
 - <https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/index.action>

Student Eligibility to Qualify for the Grant -

In order to be eligible for a TEACH Grant students must:

- Complete a FAFSA. Financial need is not required.
- Be in an eligible program:
 - UCI's master's degree program in Education.
- Meet **one** of the two the academic achievement requirements:
 - Scored above the 75th percentile on at least one of the nationally normed, standardized admission test (e.g., math section of the SAT reasoning test). Please attach a copy of your test scores with percentiles.
 - Have and maintain a 3.25 GPA on a four-point scale:
 - High School GPA for first year undergraduate students.
 - Undergraduate GPA for first year graduate students.
 - Prior college GPA for transfer students.
 - Please attach an official transcript. Your GPA will be checked at the end of each quarter.
- Complete U.S. Department of Education TEACH Grant program Agreement to Serve for each year of participation. The Agreement may be signed at www.teach-ats.ed.gov.
- Complete an Entrance Interview for each year of participation at <https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/index.action>.

Student Commitment to Keep the Grant -

- TEACH GRANT recipients must teach full time in qualifying teaching positions for 4 out of the first 8 years after leaving school.
- Meet the requirements for a highly qualified teacher as outlined at www.ed.gov/teachers/nclbguide/improve-quality.html
- The position must be in a low-income school – specifically, a public or private elementary or secondary school listed on the U.S. Department of Education's "Annual Directory of Designated Low-income Schools for Teacher Cancellation Benefits" (www.tcli.ed.gov/CBSWebApp/tcli/TCLIPubSchoolSearch.jsp)
- Students must teach in a high-need field - Mathematics, Science, Foreign Language, English/Drama/Humanities, History/Social Science, Computer Education, Bilingual Education, English Language Acquisition, Special Education, Reading Specialist, Physical Education/Health/Dance

Consequences of Not Completing Service Requirement -

- If a Teach Grant recipient fails to fulfill the commitment, the amounts of the grants that were disbursed, plus the interest calculated from the point of disbursement and capitalized, are "converted" to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan. Interest rates are available at www.studentaid.ed.gov.
- Once a TEACH Grant is converted to a loan, it cannot be converted back to a grant.

Certification of Counseling: The student indicated below has completed the required counseling for a TEACH Grant and understands the grant loans and terms, including the consequences of not completing the service requirement.

_____	_____	_____
Student Name	Student ID Number	Date
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Academic Counselor Signature	Academic Counselor Name (Printed)	Phone Number