



Federal TEACH Grant Program

SOLES participates in the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program. TEACH Grants were established under the *College Cost Reduction and Access Act* (CCRAA) to benefit current and prospective teachers. Students are eligible to receive up to **\$4,000 per academic year for graduate and undergraduate level coursework.**

The TEACH Grant is a conditional grant program. If the service obligation is not met, this grant will revert to an Unsubsidized Stafford Loan with interest accrued from initial disbursement.

Eligibility Criteria Check List:

	File the FAFSA
	U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
	Enrolled as an undergraduate, post-baccalaureate or graduate student at the University of San Diego
	Enrolled in a teaching program or major
	Have a 3.25 cumulative GPA
	Complete the TEACH Grant counseling and a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve (ATS) annually. Available on Teach Grant website: https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchTeach.action
	Meet with Assistant Dean of the School of Leadership and Education Sciences

Award Levels:	
Full time per academic year	\$4,000
$\frac{3}{4}$ time	\$3,000
$\frac{1}{2}$ time	\$2,000
<half time	\$1,000
Total for undergraduates	\$16,000
Total for graduate study	\$8,000
*Awards currently made are reduced by 6.9% until further notice.	

Other Considerations:

After receiving degree and/or credential, must teach in a high-need field. Current high-need fields (in schools that serve low-income students) are:

- 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. The “other identified teacher shortage areas” are listed in the following publication (listed by state and year) at: <https://tsa.ed.gov/#/reports>

Eligible Schools: Schools serving low-income students include public and private nonprofit elementary and secondary schools and can be found in the *Teacher Cancellation Low Income Directory*. To access the directory, please visit:

<https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/tcliDirectorySearch.action>

