

# TEACH GRANT FAST FACTS

## **What is the TEACH Grant?**

The TEACH Grant is a non-need based program that provides grants to students enrolled in an eligible program and who agree to teach as highly qualified teachers in **high need fields** as defined by the U.S. Department of Education. Such teachers must teach full-time at a **Title I**, low-income elementary or secondary school for at least 4 years within 8 years of completing the program for which the TEACH

## **Who is Eligible?**

To qualify for the grant students must:

- 1) Be a U.S. Citizen or eligible non-citizen.
- 2) Be enrolled as a graduate student in a Master's program.
- 3) Be admitted to UT Arlington Education program and currently enrolled in one of the high need programs listed below.
- 4) Have scored in the top 25% on a standardized admission test such as SAT, ACT, GRE or must achieve and maintain at least a 3.25 GPA on college work (Graduates—if you have not yet made a letter grade as a graduate student, we may consider the GPA calculated for your Admission, which is usually taken from your Last 60 hours of undergraduate work).
- 5) Complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and meet the general eligibility requirements for federal financial aid.

## **What is a 'high need field'?**

A high need field is a subject-area identified as having a teacher shortage. UT Arlington offers the following high need fields:

### **Graduates (Master's Candidates ONLY)**

Master of Ed C&I Literacy Studies—Reading Specialist  
Master of Ed in C&I in Mathematics Education  
Master of Ed in C&I in Science Education

## **What is a 'Title I School'?**

Schools are designated as Title I through a legislative formula dependent upon the distribution of low income children and state per-pupil expenditures. The Arlington, Dallas, and Fort Worth Independent School Districts each have campuses designated as Title I and can provide a complete list of qualifying schools. For a list of low-income Title I Schools in the area visit the Teacher Cancellation Low Income Directory website:

<https://www.tcli.ed.gov/CBSWebApp/tcli/TCLIPubSchoolSearch.jsp>

**Priority DEADLINE for the academic year: May 31<sup>st</sup>**

Submitting an application by priority date will ensure funds are available when payments are due for the upcoming academic year. Applications submitted after this date will be evaluated on an individual basis and distribution of funds **may be delayed**.

For more information visit the Education Scholarship website: [www.uta.edu/coehp/scholarships](http://www.uta.edu/coehp/scholarships)

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