2017-18 TEACH Grant Request Form

Please complete this form to be considered for the federal Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant. The TEACH grant provides up to $4,000* per year to undergraduate and graduate students who commit to teaching service in low-income schools in high-need fields.

*Current yearly award for TEACH grants disbursed prior to October 1, 2017 is $3,724.
**The TEACH Grant can be accessed year round if the student has not used their annual limit in the fall and spring. At UNCW, summer sessions are “trailing” semesters, meaning that summer is the end of the academic year. The grant is pro-rated based on enrollment hours.

General TEACH Grant eligibility requirements:
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
- Have and maintain a minimum 3.25 cumulative GPA each semester enrolled (Students who do not initially meet the GPA requirement may also qualify if they scored above the 75th percentile on one of the batteries in a school admission test)
- Meet the Satisfactory Academic Policy requirements for federal aid (SAP)
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) – UNC Wilmington code 002984
- Complete and submit your TEACH Grant Request Form
- Complete the U.S. Dept. of Education’s Agreement to Serve (ATS) and initial TEACH Grant Counseling at www.teachats.ed.gov
- Be enrolled as an under-graduate or graduate student at a postsecondary educational institution that is participating in the TEACH Grant program. Second bachelor degree students and graduate unclassified students are ineligible for a TEACH Grant.

TEACH Grant Eligible Programs at UNC Wilmington
- Mathematics (grades 6-8 and 9-12)
- Reading Specialist (M.Ed.)
- Specific Sciences – grades 9-12 (Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science and Physics)
- Special Education – adapted and general curriculum

All undergraduate programs must lead to teacher licensure in order to qualify. Approved graduate programs are Masters of Arts in Teaching (MAT or M.Ed.)

PLEASE NOTE TEACH Grant recipients failing to complete the teaching service obligations will be required to repay the grant as a federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan with interest charged from the date of the first TEACH grant disbursement. Once the grant is converted to a loan, it cannot be reversed.

☐ I understand that my chosen teaching concentration is NOT one of those designated as “high-need” in North Carolina, and ask that the TEACH grant be applied under the condition that I intend to teach in another state in which my area of teaching concentration is approved.

I am requesting to be considered for a federal Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant for the 2017-18 academic year.

Student Signature ____________________________ Date ____________________________