2023-2024 Federal TEACH Grant Application

IMPORTANT: Federal TEACH Grants will be awarded to eligible students for the 2023-2024 academic year. Eligibility and award is based on term enrollment. Students will be reviewed every term to ensure GPA and program eligibility. This form must be received in Student Financial Aid at least 30 days prior to your last date of enrollment during the 2023-2024 academic year.

DIRECTIONS: Complete this form for consideration for the federal Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant program. The TEACH Grant provides **up to** $4,000 per year (subject to funding approval by the U.S. Department of Education) ($16,000 total for 4-year undergraduate programs and $8,000 total for graduate programs) in grants to students who commit to:

1. Teach full-time
2. Teach in high-need subject areas
3. Teach for at least four out of the first eight years after completing the teaching degree
4. Teach at schools that serve students from low-income families.
5. Be enrolled in one of the following TEACH Grant approved programs at Converse:
   a. Undergraduate: Comprehensive Special Education, Special Education – Learning Disabilities, Special Education- Intellectual Disabilities, Special Education – Deaf & Hard of Hearing, Minor in Secondary Education: Art Education, English, Math, Music Education, Social Studies, Science (Biology or Chemistry).
   b. Graduate: Special Education – Learning Disabilities, Special Education – Intellectual Disabilities, Middle Level English, Middle Level Math, Middle Level Science, Middle Level Social Studies, Secondary Program – English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science Art Education, Music Education

NOTE: Failure to complete the service requirement and commitment for the TEACH Grant will result in the grant being converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized loan with interest calculated from the time of the grant disbursement.

Student Name: _____

Converse ID: _____   Telephone Number: (_____)_____-_____

Converse Email: _____

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

I certify that I meet or will meet the student eligibility requirements as follows (please initial each item):

_____ I have completed the 2023-2024 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

_____ I am a U.S. Citizen or eligible non-citizen

_____ I am admitted into one of the approved Converse programs applicable to the TEACH Grant

_____ I meet the following academic requirements: Scored above the 75th percentile on the SAT, ACT or GRE (attach a copy of your test scores) OR maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.25 for each term for which the TEACH Grant is disbursed.

_____ I am pursuing my first bachelor's or first master's degree

_____ I understand my award will be prorated if I am enrolled less than full-time (12 credits for undergraduate students, 9 credits for graduate students).

_____ I will complete TEACH Grant Entrance Counseling & Agreement to Serve (https://www.studentaid.gov) (Required each academic year)

_____ I will teach for at least four of my first eight years at a school serving low –income students (see annual directory at https://www.tcli.ed.gov/CBSWebApp/tcli/TCLIPubSchoolSearch.jsp)

_____ I will teach full-time in a high-need subject area

_____ I will annually provide documentation as requested by the U.S. Department of Education that I completed the teaching obligation and this will be certified by the elementary or secondary schools chief administrative officer.

STUDENT CERTIFICATION

I understand that the TEACH Grant Program has specific service obligations that must be met in order for this award to remain a grant. If I fail to meet all of the conditions of the award or if the conditions are not documented as required, I understand that the award will be permanently converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan and that I will be responsible to repay this loan with interest calculated from the disbursement date of the grant. I understand that once a TEACH Grant is converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized loan it cannot be converted back to a grant.

I certify that I have (initial each):

_____ Read and reviewed the TEACH Grant Informational handouts and facts sheet at https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships/teach

_____ Completed TEACH Entrance Counseling & TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve at

https://www.studentaid.gov (Required each academic year)

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Student Signature   Date