



2026 – 2027 Federal TEACH Grant

The College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007 created the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program, which provides up to \$4,000 per year in grants to students who commit to teach **fulltime in high need subject areas for at least four years and at schools that serve students from low-income families.**

Additionally, recipients of the TEACH Grant will be required to sign an "Agreement to Serve" for each year the grant is received and complete initial and subsequent (each year) TEACH grant counseling. Upon graduation, students are required to complete TEACH grant exit counseling.

If the commitment is not fulfilled, the grant is permanently converted to an Unsubsidized Federal Direct Loan with interest calculated back to the date the funds were disbursed.

To qualify you must meet all of the following criteria:

- Complete a 2026-2027 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Be a US Citizen or Eligible Non-Citizen
- Be fully admitted into a TEACH eligible major
- Have completed at least 60 credit hours if an undergraduate student
- Have a 3.25 cumulative GPA at South Carolina State University if a continuing student
- Have a 3.25 cumulative GPA from an undergraduate program of study (**1st year Graduate students only**)

A. STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Student ID #: 900_____

SCSU Email Address: _____@scsu.edu Phone #: _____-_____-_____

Major: _____ Graduate Undergraduate

Are you currently completing coursework and other requirements necessary to begin a career in teaching for the purpose of receiving this TEACH grant? Yes No

NOTE: This is a request for TEACH grant funding which can be approved or denied. The Office of Financial Aid will notify you of the application decision within 5 days of receiving your completed request.

Student's Handwritten Signature Date

B. ACADEMIC ADVISOR

The student whose name appears on this form is currently pursuing TEACH Grant funding with the Office of Financial Aid. Please complete the items below. Without this information, the student's application cannot be processed.

Has the student met criteria and been fully admitted into a Teacher Education program? Yes No

Is the student pursuing a major that qualifies him/her to teach in a high need field in a low-income school upon graduation? Yes No

Academic Advisor's Signature Date

Academic Advisor's Printed Name Telephone #

Submit this completed application to:
South Carolina State University
Office of Financial Aid
300 College St., P.O. Box 7386
Orangeburg, SC 29117

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Date Received: _____ Application Decision: _____ Approved _____ Denied

Denial Reason: Major GPA FAFSA Other (explain) _____

Date Student Notified: _____ Review Completed By: _____ Date: _____