2012- 2013 Application for Federal TEACH Grant  
(For GRADUATE students ONLY)

Student’s Name ________________________________ Phone _________________________

Student’s PS ID# _______________________________ Campus Email __________________

GRANT INFORMATION

The College Cost Reduction and Access of 2007 created the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program, which provides up to $4000 per year ($16000 total for 4-year programs) in grants to undergraduate students who commit to 1) teach full-time 2) in high-need subject areas 3) for at least four years AND 4) at schools that serve students from low-income families. Graduate students may be eligible for $4000 per year ($8000 total) with these same commitments. If the commitments are not fulfilled that grant is permanently converted to a loan to be repaid by the recipient. The loan is an unsubsidized Direct Federal Stafford Loan with interest calculated from the time of the grant disbursement. At the University of Pittsburgh this program is only offered to students at the graduate level who meet the criteria as determined by the University of Pittsburgh’s School of Education.

SECTION A: STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

I certify that I meet or I will meet the student eligibility requirements as follows:
☐ I have completed (or will complete) the 2012/13 FAFSA
☐ I am a U.S. Citizen or eligible non-citizen
☐ I am enrolled in coursework that is necessary to begin a career in teaching or plan to complete such coursework. Coursework that will prepare a student to teach in a high-need subject area is acceptable (see area specified in the annual listing at http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/teach-grant.htm
☐ I meet the following academic requirements: Scored above the 75th percentile on SAT, ACT, or GRE, MAT, GMAT or Graduated from high school with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale AND maintained a cumulative GPA of at least a 3.25 throughout the academic program for which the TEACH grant is received.
☐ I will complete TEACH Grant counseling https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/expect.action#counseling
☐ I will sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve and Promise to Pay each year. The TEACH grant agreement to Serve and Promise to Pay can be accessed at https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/expect.action#ats
☐ I will complete 4 years as a full-time teacher within 8 years of completing my program in a school serving low income students as defined by the guidelines at http://www.tcli.ed.gov/CBSWebApp/tcli/TCLI/PubSchoolSearch.jsp
☐ I will provide to the US Department of Education that I completed the teaching obligation and this will be certified by the elementary or secondary school’s chief administrator officer at 4 academic years of teaching service.
SECTION B: STUDENT CERTIFICATION

I understand that the TEACH Grant Program has specific service obligations that must be met in order for the award to remain as 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 permanently convert to an unsubsidized Direct Federal Stafford 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 loan, it cannot be converted back to grant. If I am qualified based on the 3.25 GPA requirements, I must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 for each subsequent disbursement. I will notify the Financial Aid Office, in writing, immediately if I do not want to receive the TEACH Grant Award. I realize that annual awards will be processed automatically if I meet the requirements if I do not cancel the award. I may cancel or reduce my award at any point up to 14 days after funds have been disbursed. If I cancel after a disbursement, I may owe the University of Pittsburgh for the amount cancelled or reduced.

Student Signature_______________________________________Date _________________

The student is responsible to forward this form to the School of Education for completion of this section. Unsigned forms will be returned and will delay the review of the Teach Grant Award

This student, to the best of my knowledge, meets the criteria of this program to participate in the TEACH Grant Program

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Signature/Title of School of Education Representative               / Date

Return complete and signed form to: Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, 4227 Fifth Avenue, Alumni Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260