

GRANTS

Grants are awards of funds that do not require repayment and are usually awarded based on documented financial need. A Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) (<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa/>) is required. Visit the Office of Student Financial Aid (<http://www.twu.edu/finaid/>)'s website (<http://www.twu.edu/finaid/>) for additional information.

Texas Public Education Grant

The Texas Public Education Grant (<http://www.collegeforalltexas.com/apps/financialaid/tofa2.cfm?ID=406>) is a state grant which is awarded to eligible Texas residents, non-residents, and international undergraduate and graduate students based on documented financial need. Recipients must be enrolled at least half-time in a degree-seeking academic program. Awards vary in size depending on the student's eligibility. Recipients receive funds by credit to their university student account. International students should contact International Affairs (<https://twu.edu/international-affairs/>) to apply for this grant.

Board Authorized Tuition Grant

The Board Authorized Tuition Grant is a state grant that is awarded to graduate and undergraduate Texas residents based on documented financial need. Recipients must be enrolled at least half-time in a degree-seeking academic program and must not be receiving scholarships, grants, or other non-loan financial assistance that equals or exceeds the amount owed for tuition and fees. The average award is \$2000 annually. Recipients receive funds by credit to their university student account.

TEACH Grant

The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH (<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships/teach/>)) Grant Program can provide up to \$4,000 per year in grants for graduate and undergraduate students who intend to teach full-time in high-need subject areas for at least four years at schools that serve students from low-income families. Students may receive up to \$16,000 for undergraduate study and up to \$8,000 for graduate study. Part-time students are eligible, but the maximum grant will be reduced.

Student Eligibility Requirements

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the year you are applying, although you do not have to demonstrate financial need. TWU School Code 003646.
- Be a U.S. Citizen or eligible non-citizen.
- Be 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 (e.g., math courses for a student who intends to be a math teacher) is acceptable.
- Meet the following academic achievement requirements:
 - Score above the 75th percentile on one of the following college admissions test(s) – SAT, ACT, or GRE; or
 - Graduate from High School with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale **and** maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 throughout your academic program for which you receive a TEACH Grant.
- Complete TEACH Grant counseling.

- Sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve or Repay each year with the U.S. Department of Education (Agreement must be completed if you are awarded a TEACH Grant).

Federal Pell Grant

The Pell Grant (<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships/pell/>) is a federal grant awarded to eligible students who have not received a bachelor's degree and who have exceptionally high documented financial need. Eligible students are limited to a maximum of 12 full-time semesters in which to receive a Pell Grant. Awards are reduced for enrollment fewer than 12 credit hours per semester. Eligible students receive funds by credit to their university student account.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)

The FSEOG (<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships/fseog/>) program is a federal grant administered directly by the financial aid office at each participating school and is therefore called "campus-based" aid. The Federal government has designed FSEOG funds for eligible undergraduate students who have exceptionally high documented financial need and who enroll at least half-time. The average annual award is \$800. Eligible students receive funds by credit to their university student account.

Toward Excellence, Access and Success Grant (TEXAS Grant)

The TEXAS Grant (<http://www.collegeforalltexas.com/apps/financialaid/tofa2.cfm?ID=458>) is a state grant awarded to eligible Texas residents who have exceptionally high documented financial need, enroll at least full-time (twelve semester credit hours per semester) unless granted a hardship provision, have not been granted a baccalaureate degree, have not been convicted of a felony or any drug-related offense unless they have been pardoned or have received a certificate of discharge by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and register for Selective Service or be exempt from registration. Priority in awards is given to renewal recipients and to those that meet the application priority deadline of January 15th each year.

Under no circumstance, other than fewer semester credit hours required for graduation, may a person enrolled less than half time receive a TEXAS grant.