Salem State University -TEACH GRANT Check List

TEACH Grant.....The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant. The TEACH Grant was created to provide grants of up to \$4000 per year to students (prorated for less than full-time) who intend to teach in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves students from low-income families. Please visit the Department of Education's TEACH Grant website for full details regarding the program: http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/TEACH.jsp

Please understand if you do not meet, and continue to meet, all of the TEACH Grant requirements, your grant will be converted to an Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loan with interest accruing from the date the grant was disbursed.

TEACH GRANT AMOUNTS:

Full time - \$3,964.40 an academic year (\$1,982.20 per semester) Three-quarter time - \$2,973.30 an academic year (\$1,486.65 per semester) Half-time - \$1,982.20 an academic year (\$991.10 per semester) Less than half-time - \$991.10 an academic year (\$495.55 per semester)

HOW TO APPLY FOR THE TEACH GRANT:

*Complete the FAFSA (www.FAFSA.gov)
*Complete the TEACH Grant Check List (this form)
*Matriculate into an eligible TEACH Grant Program at Salem State (eligible programs are listed on the Salem State's website/Financial Aid/TEACH Grant)
*Complete the TEACH Grant Entrance Counseling or Subsequent TEACH Grant Counseling
<u>https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/index.action.</u>
*Complete Agreement to Serve (ATS)
<u>https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/index.action.</u>

TEACH GRANT REQUIREMENTS:

Please **initial** beside the following statements that apply to you:

*Do you plan on enrolling at Salem State University in a TEACH Grant eligible program? Yes_____/No_____

*Have you submitted your GMAT, GRE or MAT results to Salem State University and have you ranked in the 75th percentile? Yes_____/No_____;

OR

Do you have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 (on a scale of 4.0) prior to enrolling at Salem State University? Yes____/NO____(and I understand that I must maintain a 3.25 GPA each semester in order to keep my TEACH Grant a grant and not have it converted to a loan);

OR

Are you a current teacher or former teacher (understand that you must submit the Teacher Verification Worksheet)? Yes_____/No_____;

OR

Are you a retiree based on SSI (understand that you must submit a Retiree Verification Worksheet and verify your retired status)? Yes_____/No_____.

*Do you plan on teaching in a high-need subject area such as Math, Science, Special Education, Reading Specialist, Bilingual Education, Foreign Language or English as a Second Language? Yes____/No_____ Or, do you plan on teaching in a high-need subject area in your state? What state do you plan on teaching in and what subject _____.

www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.doc

*Do you plan on teaching in a designated low income/Title I school? Yes____/No_____ https://www.tcli.ed.gov/CBSWebApp/tcli/TCLIPubSchoolSearch.jsp (Put in state and year and hit search.)

*Do you plan on teaching full-time and be deemed "highly qualified" by your state? Yes____/No_____ www.ed.gov/teachers/nclbguide/improve-quality.html

*Do you plan on teaching <u>full-time</u> as a "highly qualified" teacher in a designated low-income school, in one of the designated subject matters, for at least 4 years within 8 years of graduating from Salem State University? Yes_____/No_____

*Will you complete the FAFSA each and every academic year? Yes_____/No_____

*Will you complete the TEACH Grant Counseling each and every academic year? Yes_____/No_____

*Will you complete and sign a new Agreement to Serve each and every academic year? Yes_____/No_____

I have thoroughly read and understand the TEACH Grant requirements. I understand that the Grant may be converted to an Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loan (with interest accruing from the time the Grant was disbursed) if I do not fulfill all of the TEACH Grant requirements.

Signature

Print Name

Expected Graduation Date

Please return : Salem State University Financial Aid Office 352 Lafayette Street Salem, MA 01970-5353

Date

Student ID