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TEACH GRANT REQUIREMENT CERTIFICATION FORM for Graduate Students

Application deadline: **December 1, 2026** for **Spring 2027 Semester**

Student Name: _____ Chapman ID: _____
Degree Program Fall 2026: Please Select

INSTRUCTIONS:
To request a TEACH Grant, read and complete the following form. Please initial next to each statement and return this signed form to the Graduate Financial Aid Office. Incomplete forms will not be returned or processed.

_____ I am academically qualified and maintain a GPA of 3.25 or I have tested above the 75th percentile on a nationally recognized college admissions test such as the ACT, SAT, or GRE (attach a copy of your test score), or I am a current teacher or retiree (in a high-need field), enrolled in a TEACH Grant eligible program. I understand that my GPA will be reviewed each semester, prior to disbursement of TEACH Grant funds.

_____ I have filed a FAFSA for the 2026-2027 award year and listed Chapman University (001164) in the school section. I understand that I must meet the Federal definition of an "eligible student" to receive this grant.

_____ I intend to be a highly qualified teacher and to teach in a low-income elementary or secondary school, as defined by the U.S. Department of Education's "Low-Income School Directory," which can be accessed at https://studentaid.gov/tcli/.

_____ I intend to teach in one of the 2026-2027 designated high-need subject areas, such as: Elementary Education, English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, History/Social Sciences, Special Education; or a field designated by the state I plan to teach in which is listed in the Department of ED's annual Teacher Shortage Areas Listing.

_____ I understand that I must complete the initial TEACH Grant Counseling at https://studentaid.gov/teach-grant-program. I completed this counseling on: _____ .

_____ I understand that I must complete the Agreement to Serve (ATS) at https://studentaid.gov/teach-grant-program. I completed the Agreement to Serve on _____.

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_____I understand that if I do not meet the conditions of the grant outlined in the Agreement to Serve, the TEACH Grant will be converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan, and the interest will be calculated back to the date of the initial grant disbursement.

_____I understand that to prevent the TEACH Grant from becoming a loan, I must teach full-time for four of the eight years following the completion of my program in a high-need subject area and in a low-income school, regardless of the number of years I received the grant. If I fail to meet this requirement, my grant will become a loan. (NOTE: There is NO EXCEPTION or CREDIT given for part-time teaching or partial fulfillment of service.)

_____I understand that if my grant is converted to a loan, it will remain a loan.

_____I understand that federal regulations require a student who has received a TEACH Grant to complete a TEACH Grant Exit Counseling session upon withdrawal from, or prior to completion of, their program of study.

_____I am requesting the Chapman University Financial Aid Office to determine my eligibility for the TEACH Grant, and if I am eligible, to revise my award package to include this grant.

_____I am a current graduate student and have sought advising from Chapman University Attallah College of Educational Studies regarding my program pathway.

_____I understand that this grant has a high rate at which grants are converted to loans. The Department of Education projects that over 50% of the students receiving a TEACH Grant in the fiscal year 2025 will fail to complete their service obligation.

Certification:
By signing this form, I certify that all the information reported on this form and any attachments hereto is true, complete and accurate. I agree to provide additional proof of the information I have reported, if requested to do so. I also certify that I have read the terms and conditions of the Chapman University Graduate Financial Aid website.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

This form can be returned via email to gradfinaid@chapman.edu or by mail/in person at:

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