At CWU, we call the TEACH Grant, the TEACH Grant/Loan as a visual reminder to recipients of the requirements that they have agreed to fulfill and the results for failure to do so.

The Agreement to Serve (ATS) is a legally binding document between you and the U.S. Department of Education.

You must submit a TEACH Grant/Loan Request form for each year that you would like to be considered for the TEACH Grant/Loan.

Section 1: Eligibility [You must meet A, B, and C.]

A) □ I am an undergraduate student (must have declared a major) or graduate student.

B) □ I meet at least one of the following requirements:
   - I am a current/former teacher or retiree. I give permission to CWU to verify my status with the school district listed here: ____________________________.
   - I scored above the 75th percentile on at least one battery of the SAT, ACT, or GRE.
   - I have a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher from high school or CWU and I will maintain a cumulative 3.25 or higher GPA to remain eligible.

C) □ I am enrolled in a TEACH Grant/Loan eligible program and I understand that I must remain enrolled in a TEACH Grant/Loan eligible program to remain eligible. From the list of eligible programs located at www.cwu.edu/financial-aid/federal-grants, my eligible program is: ____________________________.

Section 2: Award (Initial or check each statement indicating that you have read and understand the statements.)

□ The TEACH Grant/Loan requires that I complete the TEACH Grant/Loan Entrance Counseling and sign the Agreement to Serve for each annual TEACH Grant/Loan award. Both are available at https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchTeach.action.

□ If I have already been awarded financial aid up to my Cost of Attendance, adding the TEACH Grant/Loan will result in the reduction and/or cancellation of my Parent’s Federal PLUS loan, my Federal Unsubsidized loan, and/or my Alternative loan.

□ If I want any other type of financial aid reduced and/or canceled to accommodate the TEACH Grant/Loan, I must submit written authorization to the Office of Financial Aid.

□ The TEACH Grant/Loan amount is pro-rated based on my enrollment level at the time of disbursement.

□ I understand that I may cancel the TEACH Grant/Loan within 14 days of disbursement by submitting written authorization to the Office of Financial Aid.

Section 3: Understanding and Transparency (Initial each statement indicating that you have read and understand the statements.)

□ I understand that I must submit a TEACH Grant/Loan Request each year that I want to be considered for the TEACH Grant/Loan award.
For the purposes of TEACH Grant/Loan, a teacher is a person who provides direct classroom teaching or classroom-type teaching in a non-classroom setting, including special education teachers and reading specialist.

I understand that I am expected to teach full-time in a High-Need Field at a Low-Income School as a Highly Qualified Teacher for four years within the first eight years following cessation from a TEACH Grant/Loan eligible program at CWU. (Exception: If I transfer to another TEACH Grant/Loan eligible program at another school.)

I understand that if I do not to meet ALL conditions in the Agreement to Serve, the TEACH Grant/Loan will permanently convert to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan that I must repay, with interest accruing from the date of each TEACH Grant/Loan disbursement.

Upon cessation from a TEACH Grant/Loan eligible program or CWU, I understand that I must complete TEACH Grant/Loan Exit Counseling at www.studentloans.gov.

If I change my program declaration to a non-eligible TEACH Grant/Loan program, I understand that:

- I am not eligible to receive TEACH Grant/Loan for my new declared program because it is not a TEACH Grant Loan eligible program.
- I must complete TEACH Grant/Loan Exit Counseling at www.studentloans.gov.
- I must contact the TEACH Grant/Loan Servicer within 120 days of ceasing to be enrolled in the TEACH Grant Loan eligible program. If I do not, my TEACH Grant/Loan will be converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan that I must repay with interest accruing from the date of each TEACH Grant/Loan disbursement.
- Starting immediately, I am obligated to fulfill the terms of the Agreement to Serve. If I do not, my TEACH Grant/Loan will be converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan that I must repay with interest accruing from the date of each TEACH Grant/Loan disbursement.

I understand that if I cease to be enrolled or I graduate from CWU, I must complete ALL of the following in order to keep the TEACH Grant/Loan from converting to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan with retroactive interest that I must repay:

- Complete online TEACH Grant/Loan Exit Counseling at www.studentloans.gov.
- Contact the TEACH Grant/Loan Servicer within 120 days of ceasing to be enrolled at CWU.
- Successfully complete the TEACH Grant Certification form with my employer annually and submit it to the TEACH Grant/Loan Servicer in accordance with the terms of the Agreement to Serve

Section 4: Student Certification

By signing this request, I am certifying that I understand the conditions of the TEACH Grant/Loan and affirm my intention to become a Teacher in a qualified high-need field. I am requesting CWU’s Office of Financial Aid determine my eligibility for the TEACH Grant/Loan and, if eligible, to add the TEACH Grant/Loan to my financial aid award.

If applicable from Section 1, B: I authorize CWU to verify my current/former or retired teacher status with the school district listed above.

Student Signature

Date