TEACHER SHORTAGE CONDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Teacher Shortage Conditional Scholarship is designed to provide financial aid to encourage persons to become teachers and to retain these teachers in shortage areas. The program provides funding of up to $8,000 per year for up to four years, toward earning a Washington Residency Teacher Certificate. Award amounts may vary depending upon financial need and funds available.



MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

* Be accepted into, and maintain enrollment in, a [PESB-approved teacher preparation](https://www.pesb.wa.gov/pathways/becoming-an-educator/find-a-preparation-program/) [program](https://www.pesb.wa.gov/pathways/becoming-an-educator/find-a-preparation-program/) leading to an initial teacher certificate. Generally, the applicant will be enrolled as a junior or senior in undergraduate studies or graduate school.
* Intend to pursue an initial teacher certificate with an endorsement in a shortage area.
* File the current [FAFSA or WASFA](https://wsac.wa.gov/apply) financial aid application.
* Have unmet financial need.

AWARDING PRIORITIES

* Applicants who are veterans of the U.S. Armed forces or members of the National Guard who meet the Minimum Qualifications.
* Applicants who are from underrepresented groups

SERVICE OBLIGATION

* Teach in a Washington State K-12 public common school after earning the add-on endorsement.
* The participant’s scholarship amount will be forgiven when they do either of the following:
	+ Serve as a certificated employee in an approved education program for two full-time school years for each year of conditional scholarship received.
	+ Serve as a certificated employee in a shortage area in an approved education program for one full-time school year for each year of conditional scholarship received.
* Participants who do not fulfill their teaching obligation will have to repay the award, with interest and other fees. (Details will be in the participant's promissory note.)



HOW TO APPLY

* Apply here: https://wsac.wa.gov/teachers
* The application opens each Spring for the following Academic Year
* Check the website early for application deadlines

\* ***Grant*** means financial aid that is intended for a specific purpose that is not a loan.



PURPOSE

The Student Teaching Grant is intended to provide additional funds to student teachers at Title I public common schools in Washington. This is a grant that does not require a service obligation or promissory note.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

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Enrolled in a [PESB-approved teacher preparation program](https://www.pesb.wa.gov/pathways/becoming-an-educator/find-a-preparation-program/) leading to full residency certification.

Be student teaching at a [Title I](https://wsac.wa.gov/sites/default/files/Copy%20of%20TitleISchoolList2019-20%20%281%29%20%28002%29.xlsx) public common school.

Not owe a repayment to any state grant or scholarship, nor be in default on a state student loan.

Demonstrate financial need through the [FAFSA or WASFA](https://wsac.wa.gov/apply), meeting the following criteria:

o Family income at or below the amounts specified on the current

Washington College Grant Eligibility Chart.

o Have unmet financial need after considering other state and federal grant aid received.



HOW TO APPLY

* Apply here: https://wsac.wa.gov/teachers
* Check the website early for application deadlines
* Awards will not be disbursed until awardee has been placed to student teach at a Title I school.

*Questions abo****ut*** *financial aid?*

Contact the CWU **F**inancial **A**id **O**ffice to speak with a financial aid counselor

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*Questions about these programs?*

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STUDENT TEACHING GRANT