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STUDENT FINANCIAL AID BULLETIN

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DATE ISSUED:	August 23, 2024
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DISTRIBUTION:	College and University Financial Aid Offices and Registrars, LAICU Financial Aid Offices and Registrars, Deans/Department Heads of the College of Education, and Geaux Teach Providers
TOPICS:	Geaux Teach Scholarship Program and 2024-2025 Geaux Teach Allocations

The Geaux Teach Program provides scholarships to students who are enrolled in teacher preparation programs at the state’s postsecondary institutions that are approved by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE). Funding is also available to students attending certified alternative teacher preparation programs approved by BESE. Awards began with the 2022-2023 academic year. Financial aid offices should work with their college’s School of Education to identify eligible applicants.

Initial eligibility requirements

To be eligible for the Geaux Teach Program scholarship, a student must:

- Be a US citizen and if required, registered with the Selective Service; and
- Be a Louisiana resident for at least two full years prior to July 1 immediately preceding the academic year in which the student will be enrolled in a qualified program of study; and
- Be enrolled full time in an approved teacher preparation program at an approved institution or enrolled in an approved, alternative certified teacher education program through the census date; and
- Have at least a 2.5 cumulative college GPA.
- File a FAFSA or complete the Geaux Teach residency affidavit if residency cannot be established through the FAFSA.
- Initial applicants must complete the Geaux Teach online application. <https://mylosfa.la.gov/geaux-teach-application-2/>

Continuing eligibility requirements

To maintain eligibility to receive a Geaux Teach Program scholarship, a student must:

- Have received the award for not more than four academic years; and
- Maintain a minimum cumulative college GPA of at least 2.50; and
- Enroll full time in an approved teacher preparation program at a Louisiana postsecondary institution or enrolled in an approved, alternative certified teacher education program through the census date.

Award amounts:

The maximum annual award is \$5,000. The award amount shall be applied only to tuition, fees, textbooks, and instructional materials required for enrollment. Geaux Teach Program scholarships shall be awarded after all state and institutional financial aid are applied. Summer term awards are allowed.

Billing deadlines:

Fall semester/term – November 1st

Spring semester/term – May 1st

Summer semester/term – July 1st (if applicable)

Packaging Policy:

Eligible institutions/providers must establish and use a policy on Geaux Teach Program packaging that provides:

- A procedure for compliance with program rules
- Record retention
- Basis used to establish any award amount that is less than the maximum award amount allowed

Payment Requests:

A payment request file format must include the following elements:

- Student's name
- Social Security number
- College code/provider name
- Term
- Date
- Hours attempted
- Award amount requested for each student
- CIP code for the program of study
- Increment key

At the end of each semester, term or quarter, the institution/provider shall report the following student data to LOSFA using the Award System:

- Semester hours attempted and semester hours earned
- Semester quality points earned
- Resignation from the institution/provider or withdrawal from all courses
- Completion of a program of study

Institution/Provider Certification:

No institution/provider shall submit a payment request for Geaux Teach funds which would result in a student receiving an annual total of more than the authorized amount of \$5,000.00.

Award amounts should be reduced to prevent overawards.

2024-2025 Geaux Teach Allocations:

The amounts allocated to eligible institutions and providers during the 2024-2025 academic year are divided among all institutions with one or more qualified programs of study. Twenty percent (20%) of the allocation is awarded to students enrolled in certified alternative teacher certification programs approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Beginning with the **2024-2025** academic year and each year of funding thereafter, allocations to eligible institutions and providers will be determined by dividing the amount of the institution's/provider's prior year's allocation that was expended by the total amount appropriated for that academic year multiplied by the total amount appropriated for the current year.

Reallocation of unused funds

After the May 1, 2025, billing deadline, unused funds will be reallocated. Reallocations made to institutions/providers should be used to award students enrolled in the fall and/or spring who were eligible but did not receive a Geaux Teach Scholarship and to those students who will enroll for the summer term.

Your allocation for 2024-25 includes funds from 2023-24 that were not used by eligible schools and providers.

Please see allocation chart on Page 4.

Questions regarding the Geaux Teach Program scholarship should be emailed to Deborah Paul at Deborah.paul@la.gov.

2024-2025 Geaux Teach Allocations

School	2024-2025 Allocations	
	Undergraduate Teaching Program	Alternate Certification Program
LSU-BR	\$ 81,108	\$ 15,713
LSU-A	\$ 89,739	\$ 21,585
LSU-S	\$ 39,133	\$ -
LSU SYSTEM SUB-TOTAL	\$ 209,980	\$ 37,298
Southern-BR	\$ 102,083	\$ 13,375
Southern-NO	\$ -	\$ 4,111
SU SYSTEM SUB-TOTAL	\$ 102,083	\$ 17,485
Grambling	\$ 31,170	\$ 18,087
LA Tech	\$ 90,594	\$ 21,595
McNeese	\$ 84,296	\$ 21,595
Nicholls	\$ 102,083	\$ 2,341
Northwestern	\$ 86,097	\$ 19,563
Southeastern	\$ 102,083	\$ 21,595
University of LA - Lafayette	\$ 102,083	\$ 9,044
University of LA - Monroe	\$ 67,071	\$ 10,893
University of New Orleans	\$ 76,517	\$ 12,932
UL SYSTEM SUB-TOTAL	\$ 741,995	\$ 137,645
Centenary	\$ 56,785	\$ 12,431
LA Christian University	\$ 99,677	\$ 19,557
Loyola	\$ 69,955	\$ 21,596
University of Holy Cross	\$ 34,658	\$ 8,221
Tulane	\$ -	\$ 16,723
Xavier	\$ 37,273	\$ 21,596
INDEPENDENTS' SUB-TOTAL	\$ 298,348	\$ 100,125
iteachLOUISIANA	\$ -	\$ -
A-PEL	\$ -	\$ 14,088
Louisiana Resource Center for Educators (LRCE)	\$ -	\$ 9,866
Teach St. Bernard (TeachSB)	\$ -	\$ -
The New Teacher Project (TNTP Academy)	\$ -	\$ 21,596
OTHER ALT CERTIFICATION SUB-TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 45,550
Total Undergraduate	\$ 1,352,407	
Total Alt. Certification		\$ 338,102
Grand Total		\$ 1,690,509