

**NORTH CAROLINA
TEACHER ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP FUND (TASF)
2007-2008 INSTRUCTIONS and APPLICATION**

The following are materials you will need to apply for a scholarship through the North Carolina Teacher Assistant Scholarship Fund. *Please read carefully all the information before filling out the application and complete all parts of the application before submitting it.*

Required Forms:

Application – This must be completed by the applicant and endorsed at the local level. The application must be signed by both the applicant and the school principal. *Students should retain copies of all completed and signed application materials for their records. Submit only originals for the application process.*

Current Official Transcript – An official transcript from the school you most recently attended is required.

College Certification Statement (page 5) The signature of the licensure officer is required for students enrolled at four-year institutions, but not yet admitted to a teacher licensure program.

*All applicants must complete and submit the top section.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This form is used to determine financial need for federal and state grant programs, and should be completed. The form is available online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> and should be submitted immediately.

**Do not send any paperwork for the FAFSA to NCSEAA, data will be collected electronically.*

Summary of Policies:

This summary outlines the rules and regulations governing the scholarship award process. It is the responsibility of the applicant to comply with these rules and regulations. **Please note that all scholarship awards are subject to funding from the North Carolina General Assembly.**

If you need additional funding for college, visit www.CFNC.org on the Web, or call the toll-free number, (866) 866-CFNC for free information about other sources of funding for college.

Please return the completed application, signed college certification form (if you are enrolled at a four-year institution) and an official transcript from your current or last college (or high school if you have not attended college) in the same envelope to:

Teacher Assistant Scholarship Fund
NC State Education Assistance Authority
PO Box 13663
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-3663

Applications must be received by April 18, 2008. Completed applications will be considered until TASF funding is exhausted. TASF and TASL (Teacher Assistant Scholarship Loan) renewal students who apply by the deadline and continue to meet all program requirements will receive first priority for funds.

If you have questions about this program or the application, please contact Rashonn Albritton at (919) 549-8614, ‘Option 1’ or 1-800-700-1775, ‘Option 1’ or by e-mail at ralbritton@ncseaa.edu.

TEACHER ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Summary of Policies for 2007-2008

1. Applicant must be a legal resident of North Carolina for tuition purposes who does not already hold teacher licensure.
2. Recipients are eligible to receive funds only for study leading toward initial teacher licensure. Recipients cannot be enrolled in a graduate degree program, such as a master's degree program.
3. Applicant must not be in default on any student loan.
4. Applicant must be employed as a full-time teacher assistant in a North Carolina public or federal school during the 2007-08 academic year, and must remain employed as a full-time teacher assistant while pursuing teacher licensure, except for the methods semester and/or student teaching semester when an approved leave of absence is permissible.
5. For those not admitted to a teacher licensure program--applicant must provide a college certification statement (page 5 of the application) signed by an appropriate official at the enrolling institution.
6. Applicant must have the endorsement of the principal of the employing school. Such endorsement indicates the principal understands that the applicant intends to pursue higher education while remaining employed full-time as a teacher assistant and confirms the student is employed as a full-time teacher assistant.
7. A recipient of a scholarship must be enrolled at a four-year public or private North Carolina college or university with an approved teacher education curriculum or a NC community college (transfer program), and must take classes:
 - at the community college or four-year institution where enrolled, or
 - through distance education or off-campus courses offered by a North Carolina college or university with an approved teacher education program (with the approval of the student's advisor).
8. There are three terms in the academic year – fall semester, spring semester and the combined summer sessions. A student must enroll in a minimum of six semester hours to receive funding for a given term and **must** complete 12 semester hours during the academic year to remain eligible for future funding. In some instances electives must be taken to acquire the required 12 hours for renewal.
9. Recipients will receive \$600 per term if attending a community college and \$1,200 per term if attending a four-year college/university. Students enrolled simultaneously at a community college and a four-year institution will be funded at \$600 unless the student is enrolled in six hours at the four-year college. Future adjustments in semester amounts may be made by the State Education Assistance Authority based on cost of education and available funds.
10. All awards offered are dependent upon the availability of sufficient funds from the North Carolina General Assembly and will not be considered automatic.
11. A candidate must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 to be considered for funding.
12. A candidate must also complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) for 2007-2008, which may be done electronically at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

**NORTH CAROLINA
TEACHER ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP FUND (TASF)
ACADEMIC YEAR 2007-2008**



Personal Information

Are you a current or previous Teacher Assistant Scholarship Fund (TASF) recipient? Yes ___ No ___

Are you a current or previous Teacher Assistant Scholarship Loan (TASL) recipient? Yes ___ No ___

Name _____
Last First Middle (Mr., Ms., etc.)

Home Address _____
Street or PO Box City State Zip Code

County _____ Phone Number: Home () _____ Work () _____

*Email _____ Social Security Number _____

Ethnic Group (optional) ___
1 - Native American 3 - African-American 5 - White 7 - Other (Specify) _____
2 - Asian 4 - Hispanic – Latino 6 - Multi-Racial

Educational Information

Please indicate your anticipated academic classification for next fall (Fall 2007):

1 - Freshman 2 - Sophomore 3 - Junior 4 - Senior 5 - Licensure-Only 6 - Other (Briefly explain) _____

Name of college or university you plan to attend during the 2007-08 academic year _____

Indicate the **number** of semester hours you plan to take on the community college (cc) or 4-year (4y) campus during each of the following semesters:

Fall 2007-(cc) ___ (4y)___ Spring 2008-(cc)___ (4y)___ Summer 2008-(cc)___ (4y)___

Applicants must indicate the number of hours they plan to take each term. Terms that are checked (✓) or left blank will be treated as “0” hours and no funding will be awarded for those terms. If you will split your hours between a community college and a four-year institution, please indicate how many hours will be taken at each.

Licensure Area Sought: _____

Name of college/university you will attend during 2007-2008: _____

Anticipated graduation date from teacher education program: _____
(Receipt of BA or BS)

You must mail your most recent college or university transcript. Students who have never attended college should submit final high school transcripts. Students who completed fewer than 12 semester hours at their last or current college must provide transcripts from previous colleges attended. Students classified as juniors or seniors at their campuses who have not been formally admitted into licensure programs must also submit certified PRAXIS PPST scores, if available, with their applications. Juniors and seniors who have not yet taken the PPST must submit certified scores when they take the exam and the scores become available. For the 2007-08 academic year, these scores will be used for research purposes only.

Current Employment Information

This form must be submitted for completion

Name of Public or Federal School _____ Grade level _____

School Address _____
Street or PO Box City State Zip Code

School Phone Number _____ County _____

Total number of years you have worked as a teacher assistant _____

Applicant's Certification

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I am responsible for updating my information, including the number of hours of credit in which enrolled and changes in my employment status, with the State Education Assistance Authority and that failure to do so could jeopardize current and future funding. I hereby certify that:

1. I have read and accept the information provided in the "Summary of Policies."
2. I am pursuing a program of study leading to entry-level licensure as a teacher.
3. I will attend classes on the campus of the community college, four-year college or university and/or through an off-campus or distance learning program offered by the four-year college or university indicated on this application. I understand that I must take a minimum of six semester hours of coursework in a given term (fall, spring or the combined summer sessions) at the four-year campus or community college I have indicated on the application to be eligible for funding during that term.
4. I am not enrolled in a graduate-level degree program, such as a master's degree program.
5. I am not in default on a student loan.
6. I have lived in North Carolina and maintained my primary domicile in this state for the past twelve consecutive months or will have done so prior to my enrollment date.
7. I will be employed full-time as a teacher assistant in a North Carolina public or federal school during the 2007-08 academic year, or, if I take an approved leave of absence, I will be completing my methods semester or my student teaching semester during the time I am not working full-time.
8. I understand that the release of my Social Security Number is voluntary, and if given, will be used in the record system of the State Education Assistance Authority as an identifying number and to confirm my employment with the Department of Public Instruction and my student status.
9. I authorize the State Education Assistance Authority to confirm my employment in a public school system in North Carolina with the Department of Public Instruction, my employing school, and/or my school system.
10. I authorize the State Education Assistance Authority to verify with the NC Model Teacher Education Consortium if I am a participant in the NCMTEC.
11. I authorize the State Education Assistance Authority to contact the licensure officer at my college or university if additional information regarding my eligibility for this scholarship is needed.

Applicant's Name (print)	Signature of Applicant	Date
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Endorsement of Principal

I have read the application packet including the "Summary of Policies" and hereby certify that the applicant named above will be a full-time teacher assistant during the 2007-08 academic year and is applying for a Teacher Assistant Scholarship Fund award with my understanding.

Name of Public School School System

Principal's Name (Print or Type) Principal's Signature

Date

**TEACHER ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP FUND
2007-2008 COLLEGE CERTIFICATION**

(For students accepted or enrolled at four-year institutions)

This form must be submitted for completion

Please read carefully. Failure to provide the requested information and signature of the School Official will disqualify your application. This form should be signed by an appropriate four-year college or university official only if you have been admitted or are enrolled at that institution. This completed form MUST be returned prior to the application deadline.

This section should be completed by the applicant.

Name of Applicant: _____
Last First Middle

Social Security Number: _____ Licensure Area Sought: _____

Name of college/university you will attend during 2007-2008: _____

Anticipated graduation date from teacher education program: _____

The following section should be completed by the campus licensure officer. Juniors and seniors who have not been admitted to a licensure program must also submit official PRAXIS PPST scores, which will be used for research purposes in 2007-08:

1. Has this student been admitted to the teacher licensure program at your institution?
____ Yes (skip to item 3) ____ No
2. When (if known) do you anticipate this student will be admitted to the licensure program at your institution?
_____ (mm/yy) (skip to item 4).
3. When do you anticipate this student will graduate from the teacher education program at your institution?
_____ (mm/yy)

For juniors and seniors not yet admitted to licensure program:

4. Has this student taken the PRAXIS PPST? ____ Yes ____ No
5. If not, when is this student expected to take the PPST? _____ (mm/yy)

Signature of licensure official: _____

Printed name of licensure official: _____

Date: _____

TASF ELIGIBLE FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Appalachian State University	High Point University	Salem College
Barton College	Johnson C. Smith University	Shaw University
Belmont Abbey College	Lees-McRae College	St. Andrew’s Presbyterian College
Bennett College	Lenoir-Rhyne College	St. Augustine’s College
Brevard College	Livingstone College	UNC-Asheville
Campbell University	Mars Hill College	UNC-Chapel Hill
Catawba College	Meredith College	UNC-Charlotte
Chowan College	Methodist College	UNC-Greensboro
Davidson College	Montreat College	UNC-Pembroke
Duke University	Mount Olive College	UNC-Wilmington
East Carolina University	N.C. A&T University	Wake Forest University
Elizabeth City State University	N.C. Central University	Warren Wilson College
Elon University	N.C. State University	Western Carolina University
Fayetteville State University	N.C. Wesleyan College	Wingate University
Gardner-Webb University	Peace College	Winston-Salem State University
Greensboro College	Pfeiffer University	
Guilford College	Queens University of Charlotte	

TASF ELIGIBLE COMMUNITY COLLEGES

5463	Alamance Community College	2940	Lenoir Community College
4033	Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College	7988	Martin Community College
8558	Beaufort County Community College	1197	Mayland Community College
7987	Bladen Community College	8085	McDowell Technical Community College
9684	Blue Ridge Community College	2947	Mitchell Community College
1707	Brunswick Community College	8087	Montgomery Community College
4835	Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute	8557	Nash Community College
5320	Cape Fear Community College	7031	Pamlico Community College
8081	Carteret Community College	9646	Piedmont Community College
5318	Catawba Valley Community College	4062	Pitt Community College
5449	Central Carolina Community College	5447	Randolph Community College
2915	Central Piedmont Community College	5464	Richmond Community College
8082	Cleveland Community College	8613	Roanoke-Chowan Community College
8084	Coastal Carolina Community College	8612	Robeson Community College
2917	College of the Albemarle	2958	Rockingham Community College
8086	Craven Community College	5754	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
2919	Davidson County Community College	7892	Sampson Community College
5448	Durham Technical Community College	2961	Sandhills Community College
8855	Edgecombe Community College	7985	South Piedmont Community College
7640	Fayetteville Technical Community College	2964	Southeastern Community College
5317	Forsyth Technical Community College	8466	Southwestern Community College
2973	Gaston College	1194	Stanly Community College
4838	Guilford Technical Community College	2970	Surry Community College
7986	Halifax Community College	9430	Tri-County Community College
8083	Haywood Community College	9903	Vance-Granville Community College
2934	Isothermal Community College	4844	Wake Technical Community College
7687	James Sprunt Community College	2980	Wayne Community College
9336	Johnston Community College	2982	Western Piedmont Community College
		2983	Wilkes Community College
		4845	Wilson Technical Community College

PRIVATE TWO-YEAR INSTITUTION:

2943	Louisburg College
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***TWO-YEAR DEGREE: Curriculum Codes**

The following curricula are eligible for funding at a community college if the applicant intends to transfer and seek licensure at a four year institution following completion of the community college program:

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

A1010A	Art Education
A1010C	Business Education and Marketing Education
A1010F	English Education
A1010G	Health Education
A1010J	Physical Education
A1010M	Social Science Secondary Education
A1010R	Elementary Education
A1010S	Middle Grades Education and Special Education
A1010Q	Social Work
A1020D	Music Education

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

A1040A	Biology Education
A1040B	Chemistry Education
A1040C	Computer Science
A1040F	Mathematics Education

*The Early Childhood Education B-K is not designed as a transfer program and therefore is not included in the list above. However, funding is permitted if a standard transfer articulation agreement exists between your community college and a four-year institution to accept the course credits toward teacher licensure at that four year institution, and you intend to transfer into that program upon graduation from the community college.

***Transfer Course List** – Not all NC community colleges offer all pre-major degree programs. For current information on program offerings, please contact the individual community college Transfer Advisory Counselor.

FOUR YEAR COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY LICENSURE AREA (MAJOR)

Student Services

School Social Worker, Instructional Technology
Specialist-Telecommunications

Elementary

Birth through Kindergarten (B-K), Preschool
Add-On, Elementary Education (Grades K-6)

Middle Grades Areas (Grades 6-9)

Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social
Studies, Agriculture, Family and Consumer
Sciences, Health Occupations, Marketing,
Business, Technology

Secondary Areas (Grades 9-12)

English, Mathematics, Science, Earth Science,
Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Social Studies,
Political Science, Geography, History, Economics,
Sociology, Anthropology, French, Spanish,
German, Japanese, Russian, Latin, Bible

Special Subject Areas (Grades K-12)

Physical Education, Safety and Driver Education,
Health Specialist, Theatre Arts, Speech
Communication, English as a Second Language,
Reading, French, Spanish, German, Japanese,
Russian, Music, Dance, Art, Junior ROTC

Special Education

Cross Categorical (Mildly/Moderately Disabled),
Severely/Profoundly Disabled, Mentally Disabled,
Visually Impaired, Behaviorally/Emotionally Disabled,
Learning Disabled, Hearing Impaired, Special Education:
General Curriculum, Special Education: Adapted
Curriculum

Workforce Development

Agricultural Education, Family and Consumer
Sciences Education, Health Occupations Education,
Collision Repair, Automotive Services,
Cabinetmaking/Furniture, Carpentry, Cosmetology,
Electrical Trades, Electronics, Printing and Graphics,
Electro-Mechanical Maintenance, Masonry, Mechanical
Systems (HVAC or Plumbing), Metals Manufacturing,
Drafting, Textiles, Welding, Work Development,
Specialized, Career Development Coordinator, Business
Education, Handicapped/Disadvantaged, Technology
Education