

CSUSB STEM Teaching Scholarship

Benefits and Obligations of the STEM Teaching Scholarship Program:

Each STEM Teaching Scholar will:

1. Receive up to \$7,000 per year
2. Work in a San Bernardino City USD secondary school for at least four hours per week, under the guidance of a selected mentor teacher.
3. Receive subject specific academic and pedagogical advising and mentoring
4. Participate in monthly seminars, in-person and online
5. Work as a teacher in SBCUSD for two years for each year of funding.

Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

1. At most 90 units to graduation in one of the following, declared, majors: mathematics, physics, biology, chemistry, or geology.
2. Full time enrollment (12 units) in a program of courses appropriate for the major.
3. Minimum 3.0 overall GPA and 3.0 GPA in major
4. Interest in teaching as a career
5. Potential to do well in a diverse public school setting
6. Must be eligible for employment in SBCUSD after graduation.

Application Requirements:

1. Completed Application Form
2. Please write a maximum one-page, 12 point font, essay in which you address the following:
 - a) Your professional goals,
 - b) Why you should be considered for the scholarship. Include a description of the specific knowledge, skills, and dispositional attributes that you bring to the teaching profession. You may also include any anecdotal experiences that have attracted you toward pursuing a career in teaching,
 - c) Your expectations from the STEM Teaching Scholarship program
 - d) Any additional information you wish the STEM Teaching Scholarship Admissions Committee to know about you.
3. Unofficial transcript(s) from your current institution of attendance and any past institutions you have attended. (Official transcripts may be requested at a future time.)

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Personal Information: please print clearly

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Student Id (for current CSUSB Students): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip-code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Mobile Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please check the box that indicates your preferred contact phone number.

Academic Background

Major: _____ (or check box if undeclared) Undeclared

Minor: _____ (or check box if undeclared) Undeclared

Current Cumulative GPA: _____ Current GPA in Major: _____

Number of units completed towards your:

a. General Education (GE): _____ (Semester, Quarter)

b. Major: _____ (Semester, Quarter)

c. Minor: _____ (Semester, Quarter)

References

Please attach a typed page with three references, at least two of them academic. For each reference, include: name, job title, employer, telephone number, and email address. Please also ask each of your references to complete the attached **Letter of Recommendation** form.

Have you had any classroom experience with youth (volunteer or paid)? YES NO

If YES, please briefly describe your experience below.



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To maintain and renew a STEM Teaching Scholarship, you must:

1. Maintain at least a 3.0 GPA both in major and overall or in the credential program.
2. Receive a positive recommendation each quarter from the mentoring team, regarding
 - a) School site performance
 - b) Participation in seminars
 - c) Performance in coursework.

Signature and Agreement

1. Should I receive a STEM Teaching scholarship, I am obligated to fulfill the requirements of the program to the best of my ability.
2. I give permission to CSUSB to release this information to the funding agencies, if required.
3. I give CSUSB permission to publicize my STEM Teaching Scholarship award.
4. I understand that my STEM Teaching scholarship might affect other financial aid awards, and it is up to me to verify this by checking with the CSUSB Financial Aid office.
5. I certify by my signature that I have read and understood the information in this application and that it is complete and accurate.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Submit application to:

Center for Enhancement of Mathematics Education
Department of Mathematics; JB-263
Attn: Sarah Zayas
5500 University Parkway
San Bernardino, CA 92407-2397

For questions regarding the application contact:

Sarah Zayas, 909-537-5455,
szayas@csusb.edu

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Letter of Recommendation

The person whose name appears below is an applicant for the STEM Teaching Scholarship program, which is sponsored by CSUSB, SBCUSD, Edison International Foundation, and the Math and Science Teacher Initiative (MSTI). The STEM Teaching Scholarship program would like your help in determining: (1) if he/she has the potential to develop into a good teacher and (2) what we can do to help him/her acquire the specific skills necessary to become a good teacher. Please respond to each item below in accordance with your direct observation of the applicant relative to the specified area. The recommendation is to be returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope. We appreciate your assistance. A key for the letters (A, B, C and D) is listed on the reverse side of this form.

Name of Applicant

	A	B	C	D
1. Oral Communication - The applicant uses language accurately and communicates clearly and concisely.				
2. Listening Skills - The applicant listens attentively and demonstrates understanding of what s/he has heard.				
3. Reading Skills - The applicant comprehends written instructions and other complex written information.				
4. Writing Skills - The applicant writes in a manner that is clear and grammatically correct.				
5. Empathy - The applicant demonstrates concern for people in various situations.				
6. Organization - The applicant identifies specific tasks, collects appropriate information and generally functions in a logical and productive manner.				
7. Time Management - The applicant organizes time so that tasks undertaken are completed in accordance with a schedule that s/he has predetermined or agreed to accept.				
8. Attendance & Punctuality - The applicant consistently keeps appointments and arrives on time.				
9. Initiative - The applicant identifies what needs to be done in situations and does it promptly.				
10. Scholarship - The applicant analyzes, synthesizes and applies information to the solution of specific problems.				
11. Persistence - The applicant, after having identified specific tasks, continues to pursue those tasks until they are accomplished.				
12. Leadership - The applicant helps others to accomplish specifically identified tasks through direction and example.				

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13. Self-Confidence - The applicant demonstrates faith in his/her convictions in the face of adversity.				
14. Willingness to Accept Feedback - The applicant considers the suggestions of others, and incorporates them into the way s/he functions as appropriate.				
15. Consistence - The applicant regularly demonstrates behavior that is appropriate to the situation.				
16. Tolerance - The applicant can accept the views of others and integrate them with his/her own.				

A B C D

A Sufficient to function as a teacher
 B Could function as a teacher with improvement

C Not Sufficient to function as a teacher
 D No basis for judgment

In what context do you know the applicant? _____

For how long have you known the applicant? _____ years _____ months

Please make any additional comments either in the space below or on an attached page.

Evaluator:

Print Name

Signature

Date

Position

Institution

Street Number & Name

City

State

Zip

Phone Number

Email

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Application Check List

Materials to include with your completed application:

- Personal Essay
 - Instructions for the essay can be found on page 1 of the application under “Application Requirements”
- Unofficial transcripts
- One page typed reference list
- Completed and signed “Letter of Recommendation Form” for each person listed on your reference list (three references, at least two of them academic)

Applications are typically accepted in the spring quarter. Please contact Sarah Zayas, 909-537-5455, szayas@csusb.edu, from the CEME office (JB-263), for specifics for a particular year or for more information regarding the application.

For questions regarding the program, please contact Dr. Jeremy Aikin, Jaikin@csusb.edu.