



NC Teaching Fellows Program

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What is NCTF?

First, what it is not...the old Teaching Fellows Program!

- **Legislatively mandated and funded program to promote teaching as a profession (NCGS § 116-209.62)**
- **Designed as a loan-forgiveness program that is application-based for students seeking admission into selected university programs (maximum of 8 at this time)**
- **Students may be awarded 4, 6, or 8 semesters of funding, maxed at \$4125 per semester**



What is NCTF (continued)

- **Students must be seeking admission to education preparation programs (EPPs) to study STEM or special education.**
- **It is open to high school seniors, current college students not in an EPP, transfer students from other colleges/universities (including community colleges), and current teachers seeking initial licensure in one of the above areas.**
- **Students must complete years of service as repayment of the loan in a public school after graduation.**
- **New teacher support for fellows**



What is in the NCTF application

Students are scored on multiple measures

- **GPA**
- **ACT/SAT (optional)**
- **Leadership/Service**
- **Awards/Recognitions**
- **Essays**
- **Interview**
- **Recommendations**



Current NCTF Timeline

- **October – application opens**
- **January 27th – application closes**
- **February 15 – finalists identified**
- **February/March – finalists interviewed by panel**
- **April 1 – awards announce**
- **May 1 – awardees must accept the award**



NC Teaching Fellows Data

	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Applications	232	220	189	156	203
Awards	110	133	114	118	121
Acceptance	74	107	92	90	106
Acceptance/ Applications	31.9%	48.6%	48.7%	57.7%	52.2%
Acceptance/ Awards	67.3%	80.5%	80.7%	76.3%	87.6%

Sources: UNC System NCTFP Annual Report, 1/1/22; Press Release 4/4/22



Partner Institutions

- **Elon University**
- **Fayetteville State University**
- **Meredith College**
- **North Carolina A&T**
- **North Carolina State**
- **University of North Carolina - Charlotte**
- **University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill**
- **University of North Carolina - Pembroke**



North Carolina Teaching Fellows

“Building a pathway (a pier) to educational success for all students across the state one teacher at a time.”

Spring into action on those goals that you have only had the courage to think about
Take one small step
today to make your wildest dreams come true.
-Mary-Frances Winters

The calling of the teacher. There is no craft more privileged. To awaken in another human being powers, dreams beyond one's own; to induce in others a love for that which one loves; to make of one's inward present their future; that is a threefold adventure like no other.

George Steiner



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