University of St. Thomas - Houston \tilde{O}/a



A grant, unlike a loan, is money that does not have to be repaid. To receive a grant, you must complete the FAFSA (or TASFA) and meet the criteria of the grant for eligibility. Grant funds are provided by federal, state and institutional programs.

Federal

<u>Pell Grants</u> are offered to undergraduate students in financial need (as determined by FAFSA application) by the U.S. Department of Education.

<u>Supplemental Educational Opportunity grants (SEOG)</u> are for undergraduates with exceptional financial need (students with the lowest Expected Family Contributions [EFC]) and gives priority to students who receive a Federal Pell Grant.

<u>Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education</u> (TEACH) grants are for students who meet the following requirements:

- Enrolled in coursework needed to begin a teaching career in a high-need subject area
- Agree to serve as a full-time teacher in a high-need subject area in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves low-income students
- Must be a junior, senior, or graduate student

State

<u>Texas Equalization Grants</u> are offered to eligible Texas residents enrolled full time or three-quarter time. The grant is renewable with a 2.5 cumulative GPA and completion of 24 credits in an academic year.

UST Grants

New Student Grants are awarded to new freshman or transfer students deemed eligible by the University.

Returning Student Grants are awarded to continuing undergraduate students who were previously awarded New Student Grants.