

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY SHREVEPORT
Graduate Scholarship for High School Teachers
OVERVIEW

Fall 2009

The LSUS Graduate Scholarship for High School Teachers
provides funding for qualified high school teachers to become specialists in their disciplines
for the purpose of teaching High School Dual Enrollment courses.

Are you ready to take the next step in your career by becoming a specialist in your discipline? Are you a high school teacher who wishes to earn a graduate degree or content graduate coursework in addition to a graduate degree? Do you have a graduate degree and want to enhance your knowledge? LSU Shreveport encourages you to apply for the scholarship.

Graduate Scholarship Criteria:

Award Name:	LSU Shreveport Graduate Scholarship for High School Teachers
Award Value:	\$500 per three-hour course up to \$1000 per semester (must reapply each semester)
Number Awarded:	Varies as funds are available
Funding Source:	Community Foundation of Shreveport Bossier
Purpose:	Support high school teachers who are entering or returning to graduate studies with the goal of expanding their content knowledge to improve their teaching skills and become specialists in their disciplines.
Effective Date:	Spring 2009

Preferred Selection Criteria:

1. Candidates pursuing a graduate degree must meet the Graduate Studies admissions criteria which includes a minimum 2.5 grade point average on their undergraduate degree or a 2.75 grade point average in the last 60 hours attempted in the degree program. In addition, a 3.0 grade point average is required on any graduate work attempted.
2. Candidates must meet additional admissions criteria for each program. These program-specific criteria can be found at www.lsus.edu/think.
3. Candidates who have already earned a Master's Degree and are working on courses as a no-preference student must have a minimum grade point average of 3.00 on all graduate work attempted.
4. Candidates not meeting these criteria but having a 2.00 to below a 2.50 undergraduate grade point average may appeal through the appropriate graduate program director and dean for admission. Appropriate GMAT or GRE Scores must be attached to the appeal. Recommendations will be submitted to the Graduate Dean for final approval.
5. Candidates must hold a valid Louisiana Teaching Certificate with certification at the secondary level and hold a current teaching position at the high school level.
6. Candidates must complete an application packet which includes a statement of support from their current principal and a statement of purpose that reflects their desire to become a specialist in their discipline by earning 18 graduate hours in that discipline.
7. A committee composed of the Graduate Dean and program directors will interview each candidate and make selections based on defined criteria.

Retention Criteria:

1. Recipients must maintain at least a 3.00 grade point average on all graduate work
2. Recipients must reapply each semester.
3. The reapplication process will include a progress report and a statement of support from the principal.

Award Value:

1. Students may receive funding for a maximum of 6 credit hours each term at a value of \$500 per three-hour course.
2. Students seeking a master's degree will be eligible for a maximum level of funding based on the number of hours required for their degree program. These range from 30 to 36 credit hours or \$5000 to \$6000 (ten to twelve three-credit-hour courses at \$500 per course).
3. Students seeking to earn eighteen hours of graduate credit in a specific content area will be eligible for a maximum of \$3,000 (six three-credit-hour courses at \$500 per course).

Application Process

1. Complete the scholarship application prior to the beginning of the semester applying to or continuing
2. A letter of support from your high school principal will be required each semester.
3. Submit scholarship application and letter of support to the address below:

MAIL ALL DOCUMENTATION TO:

LSU Shreveport
Academic Affairs Office
Attention: Marcia Hunter
One University Place, Shreveport, LA 71115

For specific information, please contact Melissa Mainiero at (318) 797-5285 or melissa.mainiero@lsus.edu

For general information, please contact Marcia Hunter at (318) 797-5135 or marcia.hunter@lsus.edu

**Graduate Scholarship for High School Teachers
APPLICATION**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

To be completed by the student. Please print or type in blue or black ink. Attach a letter of support from your current principal.

Social Security Number: _____ LSU Shreveport SID: _____

Name: _____
LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME

Mailing Address: _____
NUMBER STREET APARTMENT or P.O. Box NUMBER

CITY STATE ZIP CODE PARISH

Contact Information: _____
EMAIL () AREA CODE HOME PHONE () AREA CODE CELL PHONE

Current Teaching Assignment: _____
PARISH HIGH SCHOOL SUBJECT

Are you currently enrolled at LSU Shreveport? NO YES If NO, when do you plan on beginning your program? _____

Have you applied to LSU Shreveport Graduate Studies? NO YES If YES, when? _____

Do you hold a Master's Degree? NO YES If YES, what degree? _____

EDUCATION

UNDERGRADUATE Institution Name: _____
UNIVERSITY NAME CITY STATE

From: _____ To: _____ Did you Graduate? NO YES with Degree in: _____

GRADUATE Institution Name: _____
UNIVERSITY NAME CITY STATE

From: _____ To: _____ Did you Graduate? NO YES with Degree in: _____

OTHER Institution Name: _____
UNIVERSITY NAME CITY STATE

From: _____ To: _____ Did you Graduate? NO YES with Degree in: _____

REFERENCES

List 3 professional references. Must include current supervisor.

Full Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____

Company: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

Full Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____

Company: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

Full Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____

Company: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

TEACHING EXPERIENCE - provide your two most recent teaching positions

School	Parish	From	To	Grade	Subject

Responsibilities:

School	Parish	From	To	Grade	Subject

Responsibilities:

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Write a statement related to your desire to become a content specialist that includes your plan for accomplishing this goal.

SIGNATURE

- I certify that the responses are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- I have read and understand the Graduate Scholarship Criteria.
- I will comply with all the requirements if I am approved for the Graduate Scholarship for High School Teachers.
- I certify that if this scholarship application leads to receipt of scholarship funds, I must maintain a 3.00 GPA.
- I understand that I must submit another Graduate Scholarship Application each term to be considered for additional funds.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

NEXT STEPS

Mail To: LSUS / Academic Excellence Program
 Office of Academic Services
 ATTENTION: Marcia Hunter
 One University Place
 Shreveport, LA 71115