



# GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY™

## Memorandum of Understanding The GCU National Center for Teacher Preparation's Initial Teacher Licensure Scholarship for Graduate Students

Congratulations on your decision to continue your education through Grand Canyon University. In keeping with the University's long-standing tradition of providing excellent educational programs, we are excited to offer you the Initial Teacher Licensure Scholarship for Graduate Students. This scholarship is only valid for applicants who are currently working for an accredited school or district, who are seeking initial teacher licensure and who are not already a licensed teacher, and who are applying for one of the following programs.

- Master of Education in Early Childhood Education
- Master of Education in Early Childhood Education and Early Childhood Special Education
- Master of Education in Elementary Education
- Master of Education in Elementary Education and Special Education
- Master of Education in Secondary Education (any emphasis)
- Master of Education in Special Education (any emphasis)

By committing to take your master's program through our online offerings, Grand Canyon University will offer you twenty-five (25%) percent off tuition for your program. This scholarship will be applied at the same time the tuition charges occur.

While we are pleased to extend this scholarship to you, there are requirements which must be met. In order to remain eligible for this scholarship you must:

- Maintain continuous enrollment in your program of study. Continuous enrollment is defined as no breaks greater than 14 days unless an approved leave of absence has been granted by Grand Canyon University;
- Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress throughout your program as indicated in the University Policy Handbook (UPH) located at <http://www.gcu.edu/Policy-Handbook.php>;
- Provide proof of employment at a school or district upon enrollment and annually thereafter by either:
  - uploading a copy of your most recent paystub (blacking out all personal information) to your Student Portal in the "Upload Document" section under the "Initial Teacher Licensure Scholarship Documentation" link. Your initial paystub must be uploaded prior to beginning your first course and must be dated within 90 days of your program start date;
  - or, if you are working in a school or district as a third-party employee, submitting an Initial Teacher Licensure Scholarship Verification Form completed by the school or district to your Student Portal in the "Upload Document" section under the "Initial Teacher Licensure Scholarship Documentation" link.
  - Or, **if you are enrolling in a master's program that does not lead to licensure**, you must provide proof of enrollment in an alternative path to licensure in addition to proof of employment by submitting an Initial Teacher Licensure Scholarship Verification Form completed by the school or district to your Student Portal in the "Upload Document" section under the "Initial Teacher Licensure Scholarship Documentation" link.

By signing this document, you understand that if you are unable to start your program, this offer will no longer be valid and the scholarship will not be applied.

This scholarship *cannot* be used in conjunction with any other GCU scholarships. This scholarship will be applied toward your tuition only, and you will not receive funds in excess of your charges.

By signing this agreement, you acknowledge that all prior scholarships and/or special tuition offers are null and void. The University will honor the Memorandum of Understanding with the most recent issue date.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_