

UWA

The UNIVERSITY of WEST ALABAMA

-College of Education-

Black Belt Teacher Corps Scholarship Application

Date received:	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:
GPA verification by advisor:	
GPA:	
Initials:	
Date: _____	

Scholarship committee notes:	

Return applications to the College of Education: University of
West Alabama
College of Education
Attn: Susan Hester
Black Belt Teacher Corps Coordinator
Station 8
Livingston, AL 35470

Please submit the following to be considered:

1. Completed application form (please type).
2. One page double-spaced written statement. Discuss your future educational goals and how you plan to use the scholarship money.
3. Two letters of recommendations
4. Submit three copies of your scholarship application, including all letters of recommendations, and an unofficial transcript.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Completed application form submitted by the deadline.
- Passing Praxis Core scores submitted to UWA.
- Classification as a Junior or Senior in TEP.
- 2.75 or higher grade point average (GPA).
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Never defaulted on a loan or scholarship award.
- Initial certification that leads to teacher certification/licensure.

Scholarship Timeline

- Completed applications sent to Black Belt Teacher Corps Coordinator.
- GPA review.
- Scholarship application reviewed by committee.
- Scholarship recipient notified via email.

SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name:	Student ID #:
Campus address:	Permanent address:
Cell Phone:	Home Phone:
Email address:	
Anticipated Graduation Date:	

If I am accepted as a Black Belt Teacher Corps Scholarship recipient, I understand I will receive a \$2500.00 stipend each semester (up to a total award of \$10,000.00) for my Junior and Senior years at the UWA College of Education. I understand this scholarship is awarded to me based upon my commitment to teach in an Alabama Black Belt region public school, a designated Alabama rural public school, or a designated high-needs Alabama public school for three full years of service, the completion of a Black Belt region school-based Service Project, and the attendance of Black Belt Teacher Corps Seminar attendance. I understand I will be required to sign a Black Belt Teacher Corps Contract Agreement and failure to do so will result in dismissal from the program. If I am accepted as a Black Belt Teacher Corps Scholarship recipient and change my mind to complete the Black Belt Teacher Corps requirements, I understand I will be required to repay any scholarship stipends received before registering for another semester of courses.

Three Year Service Commitment

I understand I will be required to show documentation of my three years of teaching service to the UWA College of Education and the Black Belt Teacher Corps Coordinator.

Leadership Training Seminar

I understand I will participate in local, state, and national workshops and conferences.

Black Belt Region School Service Project

I understand I am required to complete a School Service Project in an Alabama Black Belt region public school, a designated Alabama rural public school, or a designated high-needs Alabama public school. This Service Project will take place during my clinical/field experiences or clinical practice/internship. I will be given \$1000 as a start-up fund for this project from the Alabama Legislature. I agree to communicate with the Black Belt Teacher Corps Coordinator, principal, superintendent, and UWA faculty to ensure the completion of this Service Project.

I have read the above requirements and I agree to implement these requirements if selected.

Applicant Name _____ Date _____

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SECTION 2 – ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Current year (circle one): Junior Senior

Current cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

List and briefly describe volunteer activities in which you have been involved:

Organization	Activity or Involvement	Dates & Year of Involvement

Please write a brief description of your activities and how you participated:

SECTION 3 – OTHER QUESTIONS (type and attach if necessary)

1. How will your experience in the Black Belt Teacher Corps impact your future career path?

2. Why is your experience in the Black Belt Teacher Corps important to you?

3. Is there any other information that we should know about you? This is your opportunity to include information that is not contained in other areas of the application.

- I verify that the information included on this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I understand, if awarded the Black Belt Teacher Corps scholarship, I agree to participate in leadership and service activities and be willing to teach in a school located in the Black Belt region for at least three years after program completion.
- I give my permission for UWA to process this application.

Signature: _____

Date: _____