The Woodrow Wilson Ohio Teaching Fellowship at The Ohio State University

What is the purpose of this Fellowship?
The Woodrow Wilson Ohio Teaching Fellowship seeks to attract talented, committed individuals with backgrounds in the STEM fields of mathematics, chemistry, physics, and earth science to teaching careers in Ohio’s high-need secondary schools.

Why does Ohio need these new teachers?
- Because all Ohio students need teachers who can help them get to college, the key to success in the contemporary workforce—and right now too few are making that mark.
- Because the state continues to identify math and science as critical shortage areas for teachers.
- Because teacher attrition in Ohio’s urban and rural schools can be high, and a wave of retirements is coming.

What kind of preparation for teaching do Fellows receive at Ohio State?
The Fellowship program at Ohio State offers rigorous disciplinary and pedagogical preparation, extensive in-school experience, and ongoing mentoring. Fellows’ preparation takes place in high-need secondary schools within the Columbus City Schools and other high-need school districts. This field-based program will integrate academic and clinical instruction from the first days of the program.

What does the WW Ohio Teaching Fellowship include?
- a $30,000 forgivable loan;
- a $12,500 tuition scholarship;
- admission to the master’s degree program;
- preparation in a high-need high school and participation in a wide variety of school experiences;
- support and mentoring throughout the three-year teaching commitment;
- guidance toward teaching licensure; and
- lifelong membership in a national Woodrow Wilson network of Fellows and intellectual leaders.

What commitment do Fellows make?
As part of their commitment to ensuring student success, Fellows teach for at least three years in a high-need secondary school within the Columbus City Schools or other high-need school districts. Employment as a teacher of record is contingent on a Fellow’s obtaining appropriate Ohio teaching licensure.

Who can apply for the Fellowship?
Eligible applicants include current undergraduates, recent college graduates, midcareer professionals, and retirees who have majored in, or had careers in, the STEM fields of mathematics, chemistry, physics, and earth science.

What qualifications are required of applicants?
- a commitment to the program and its goals;
- U.S. citizenship or permanent residency;
- a bachelor’s degree—attained or expected by June 30, 2011—from an accredited U.S. college or university;
- a major in and/or a strong professional background in mathematics, chemistry, physics, and/or earth science;
- a cumulative undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.

To obtain more information or apply online, visit www.woodrow.org/ohio.