



# NORTH CAROLINA TEACHING FELLOWS

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#### **Program Overview**

- Program reauthorized by the General Assembly in 2017 State Budget.
- Program Purpose: "G.S. 116-209.62(a) "...to recruit, prepare, and support students residing in or attending institutions of higher education located in North Carolina for preparation as highly effective STEM or special education teachers in the State's public schools."

#### **Legislative Deadlines**

The authorizing legislation established the following deadlines:

- August 15, 2017: Initial appointments to be made to North Carolina Teaching Fellows Commission
- October 1, 2017: Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish a list of STEM and special education licensure areas

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- November 15, 2017: Commission to establish minimum eligibility criteria for prospective applicants and must select five institutions of higher education to be NCTF partners
- December 31, 2017: Commission must make application available to prospective Fellows
- April 1, 2018: Commission must select recipients and award the initial forgivable loans for 2018-2019 academic year



August 21: Program Director hired August/September:

- BOG formally appointed Commission members
- Developed online application in partnership with SEAA
- Website development underway
- Initial outreach to all EPPs in North Carolina



#### October:

- 12: First Commission meeting to discuss eligibility criteria and IHE selection process
- EPP application finalized and distributed to all EPPs
- 31: Submission deadline for EPP applications



#### November:

- Evaluation of 16 EPP applications
- Commission met to select five IHEs as TF partners













- December 4: Teaching Fellows application live.
- January 15, 2018: Application deadline. 232 applications received.
- February/March: SEAA verification process, initial review process, and candidate interviews.
- April 1, 2018: Awards made to 110 finalists.
- June 1, 2018: 86 Fellows confirmed.



#### **Next Steps**

#### In the coming months:

- Launch new website (ncteachingfellows.com).
- Finalize enrichment schedule for current and incoming Fellows.
- Revise and improve selection and interview process for 2018-2019.
- Secure new application platform; application to be made available in October.
- Manage 2018-2019 application cycle.

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## QUESTIONS?