

Winter-Reed Teacher Loan Repayment Program

Website: <https://www.msfinancialaid.org/wrtr/>

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The Winter-Reed Teacher Loan Repayment Program (WRTR) is designed to help new traditional route teachers repay their undergraduate student loans. Only first-year teachers holding a valid standard five-year Mississippi educator's license are eligible to apply as new recipients. Second-year teachers will be eligible to apply as renewal recipients beginning in 2022. Third-year teachers will be eligible to apply as renewal recipients beginning in 2023.

Eligible recipients must work full-time as a teacher or librarian in a Mississippi public school district.

Only 150 first-year teachers will be awarded each year. Selection shall be made on a first-come, first-served basis of all eligible applicants who apply by the deadline date. However, priority will be given to teachers in geographical shortage areas.

The annual award scale is as follows:

	Contracted in a Geographical Critical Shortage	Area Contracted in a Non-Shortage Area
First-Year Teacher	\$4,000	\$1,500
Second-Year Teacher	\$5,000	\$2,500
Third-Year Teacher	\$6,000	\$3,500

Important Dates:

Application dates for 2021-22: Through December 15, 2021

Document deadline: January 15, 2022

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