FORGIVABLE EDUCATION LOANS FOR SERVICE (FELS)  
APPROVED EDUCATION PROGRAMS 2012-13

**Allied Health Programs**
- Chiropractic Care
- Cytotechnology
- Dental Hygiene
- Emergency Medical Science
- Emergency Medical Technology
- Medical Technology
- Occupational Therapy & OT Assistant
- Optometry
- Pharmacy & Pharmacy Technician
- Physical Therapy & PT Assistant
- Physician Assistant
- Radiography
- Radiology & Radiology Technician
- Sonography

**Nursing Programs**
- Nurse Educator
- Nurse Practitioner
- Nursing

**Education Programs**
- Biology
- Chemistry
- English as a Second Language
- Math
- Middle Grades
- Science
- Special Education

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- Dentistry
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2011-12 TASF recipients (see Teaching below)

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2011-12 TASF recipients are eligible to apply for a FELS loan to continue in their degree programs for the 2012-13 year and will be eligible for renewal in future years upon meeting the established renewal criteria. After 2012-13, former TASF recipients applying for the first time through FELS must be seeking licensure in approved subject or grade level areas in order to be considered for initial FELS funding. FELS recipients do not have to be employed as teacher assistants; all borrowers must sign a FELS promissory note and meet FELS program requirements.

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Allied Health - Counseling Programs
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- Counseling
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Forgivable Education Loans for Service (FELS) Approved Education Programs 2016-17

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- Emergency Medical Technology
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**Medicine**

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