

**Project Common Ground:
Preparing Highly Qualified Speech-Language Pathologists to Meet the Communication
Needs of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Diverse Settings**

Stipend Payback Agreement

Please read this agreement carefully before signing it.

This federal grant stipulates that all students who receive stipend support are required to perform one year of paid teaching/service in the field of the endorsement (upon completion) for every one year that support was provided. Candidates are expected to make this commitment in advance of receiving support. They are not limited to any geographic location for the completion of this requirement following graduation. Further, candidates will be required to pay back the financial support if they do not complete these teaching years.

Complete the following:

1. I have read the federal payback requirement outlined above. I wish to receive a stipend of \$12,696 over three semesters during the academic years of _____ . I will receive \$11,500 of that amount in direct payment and the remaining amount will go towards paying project-related seminar registration fees. I understand fully that this requires me to complete three full years of teaching/service following graduation, in accordance with the Project Common Ground Service Agreement.

2. I will complete my credential by _____ and begin serving in the field Speech-Language Pathology with students served under IDEA by _____.

3. Upon completion of this program of study, I plan to:

4. How do you plan to meet the service payback requirement?

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____

Signature: _____ Date Signed _____