CLASSICORPS TEACHING FELLOWSHIP FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question	Answer
Can I get a Masters in Education in any program at any graduate school?	 No, through this fellowship, you will receive a Masters in Education from the <u>Touro Graduate School of</u> <u>Education</u>. There are various degree/certification options based on your placement that can be found on their website.
I want to join the Classicorps Teaching Fellowship and I have questions about outstanding prerequisite credits?	 Sign up for office hours to speak to a Touro representative <u>here</u>. Send an email to <u>virginia.seda@touro.edu</u> with your question as well.
I am joining the ClassiCorps Teaching Fellowship and I have a question about enrolling in Relay regarding:	 Sign up for office hours to speak to a Touro representative here. Send an email to virginia.seda@touro.edu with your question as well.
I see you value the arts. Can I teach a special like art, music, or fitness?	 No, unfortunately, you must teach within the grade and subject you are getting certified in, and Touro does not have degree/certification options for those subjects.
What is the commitment for the fellowship?	 This is a three-year fellowship. It takes 3 years to obtain your professional teaching certification. Many fellows continue to work at Classical after the fellowship and often move into leadership roles, however, staying beyond the fellowship is not required.
I am an international student, am I eligible?	 Unfortunately, Classical does not provide visa sponsorship.
I already have a Masters degree, can I apply?	 Yes, if you have a Masters that is not in education, you can join the fellowship if you have completed your program. You cannot join the fellowship while enrolled in another grad program.

I have some credits from another Masters program, can I combine them with your Masters program? I graduate after the start date; can I still be considered?	 No, you cannot. The curriculum and courses at the Touro Graduate School of Education are specific to certification track you will pursue. Yes, we can allow delayed start dates on a case-by-case basis. We can potentially work with students whose graduation date is after the start date or current
Can I choose what grade and subject I teach?	 No, however, we take your experience and skillsets into consideration. Over the summer, you will have various teaching opportunities with support from our Instructional Coaches. The Instructional Coaching team will evaluate the needs of our schools as well as your proficiencies and provide you with a placement for the following school year.
Does Classical provide housing?	 No, however, we provide up to \$1,000 in reimbursements to offset relocation costs. We also provide a housing guide for reference. We have a slack group for hired Classicorps fellows. This group can be used to help you find another fellow who may also be looking for roommates
Is it manageable to teach full-time and take graduate courses?	 Yes, the Touro Graduate School of Education Master's program is designed for full-time teachers. Your classes are remote and either in the evening or on the weekend.
I don't have a teaching background, is that okay?	Yes, we accept people with all different backgrounds and majors.
Can I still work at Classical after the 3 years of the fellowship?	Yes, many fellows stay after completing the fellowship and often move into leadership roles.
I have work experience before joining ClassiCorps, can I negotiate my salary?	 To remain consistent and fair the salary for all Classicorps fellows regardless of their experience is the same.
What is a typical day like for a Classicorps Fellow?	 Big overview: Your schedule might vary slightly depending on the grade or subject you are teaching. But typically: Teachers arrive before 7:30am You will meet with your grade team at 7:30am daily When students have their lunch period, teachers have a break for lunch Throughout the day scholars have specials twice a day and this is when teachers have their prep periods

	 Most teachers leave once dismissal ends at 4:45pm Depending on your semester you will have graduate school classes remotely in the evening twice a week or on a Saturday
Where do your scholars go after Classical?	 The high school application process in NYC works exactly like the application process to most colleges and universities. Scholars apply and it's highly competitive. You can find a list of the high schools our alumni attend on our website – in the family page. Everything we do is geared towards ensuring scholars are prepared for the high school of their choice and are able to access highly competitive schools. We find that they often are accepted to highly competitive schools. To support parents in navigating this process, we have a full-time high school admissions counselor who works with students and families throughout the application and selection process.