



**SO, YOU WANT TO
BECOME A TEACHER**

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Today's Advising Session

First half hour

- Overview of requirements to teach
- Overview of Sacramento State credential programs & requirements
- Overview of the Application Process

Last hour

- Split into two groups led by staff advisors from Teacher Preparation Office



Basic/Preliminary Credentials offered at Sacramento State

- Multiple Subject (Elementary K-8)
- Single Subject (Secondary 7-12)
- Special Education - Mild/Moderate or Moderate/Severe
- Special Education Early Childhood

JOB MARKET ?

SACRAMENTO

CALIFORNIA



96% of Sac State Credential Graduates report **one year after graduation** that they have been working as a teacher; 85% report teaching full-time since receiving credential



Becoming a Public School Teacher in California

- Prove you know WHAT you will teach (math, social studies, PE etc...) - “Subject Matter Competency”
- Prove you know HOW to teach (a teaching credential program)
- Other specific requirements (review later in presentation)



How to prove you know WHAT you'll teach (subject matter competency):

SPECIAL EDUCATION (Education Specialist)

- Pass standardized test (CSET - California Subject Exam for Teachers) in ANY area (if planning to teach special needs children in elementary school, should take CSET Multiple subjects)

OR

- Undergraduate major in subject matter area to include SPECIFIED list of courses (subject matter waiver program)



How to prove you know WHAT you'll teach
(subject matter competency):

EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Because pre-Kinder (early childhood), do not have to prove subject matter competency, there is no CSET, or waiver program requirement.
- Undergraduate major in any area of study. A Bachelor's degree is required.



How to prove you know WHAT you'll teach (subject matter competency):

JR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL (Single Subject)

- Pass standardized test (CSET - California Subject Exam for Teachers) in subject matter area
- OR**
- Undergraduate major in subject matter area to include **SPECIFIED** list of courses (subject matter waiver program)



How to prove you know WHAT you'll teach (subject matter competency):

ELEMENTARY (Multiple Subjects)

- **MUST** Pass standardized test (CSET - California Subject Exam for Teachers)
- Undergraduate major can be in ANY field of study



CSET: California Subject Examination for Teachers in Multiple Subjects

- Three subtests (take one at a time!)
 - Subtest I – English/Social Sciences
 - Subtest II – Mathematics/Sciences
 - Subtest III – Visual & Performing Arts/Physical Education/Human Development
- If necessary, retake only the subtest(s) you need
- All subtests must be taken prior to application

*Take practice tests online and receive scores on-the-spot!

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Program Options Offered

*EDTE & EDBM, MS & SS

- Two or three semester programs - MS & SS
- Four semester evening program, MS
- Some paid internships (none in MS currently)
- Bilingual Emphasis (BCLAD) - Spanish, Hmong & other languages in Bil/Multicult Ed. Dept. (EDBM)
 - All MS & SS credential options at Sacramento State integrate the English Learner Authorization (ELA) which prepares candidates to teach English language learners.

* EDTE - Teacher Education Department

* EDBM - Bilingual/Multicultural Education Department



Program Options Offered Special Education

- Non-cohorted; courses offered day or night, academic year & summer sessions
- 2 years to completion
- MANY paid internships
- Combined Education Specialist credential and Multiple Subject credential OR combined EDS + Master's degree



Application & Admissions Process

1. Complete and submit Teacher Preparation Program application (free) and Sacramento State Graduate application (\$55.00)
2. Submit transcripts:

Sacramento State Students:

- One Sacramento State transcript
- Two sets of transcripts from every other college or University attended

Non-Sacramento State Students:

- Two sets of transcripts from every other college or University attended

3. Submit required documentation with TPP application.
4. After applications are reviewed for completeness, applicants will be screened by faculty. An interview process will follow.
5. All applicants will be notified by the TPAC office by mail regarding admission status.





Credential Program Admission Requirements (Multiple, Single & Special Education)

- Bachelor's degree
- Subject Matter Competency
- California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)
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- Writing proficiency
- GPA: 2.67 overall
- 2.75 last 60 units
- Minimum 45 hours experience with children
- 2 reference forms
 - College instructor -academic
 - Field supervisor - observed you working with children
- Statement of Goals
- Certificate of Clearance
- Group interview

WHEN ARE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE?

When? Spring Applications - mid-July
Fall Applications - mid-November

How? Internet : www.csus.edu/teach
Pick-up: Eureka Hall 216





College of Education Equity Coordinator

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- Focus on under-represented students; students interested in BCLAD; students looking for CSET assistance (especially multiple subjects) and CBEST assistance