Pre-Requisite Information

All three prerequisite courses must be successfully passed prior to the beginning of the program. However, all prerequisites courses may be “In Progress” at the application deadline. Below are the three courses and the accepted CSUF courses.

1. Child or Human Development (choose one: CAS 312, CAS 315, CAS 325A & CAS 325B OR PSYC 361)
2. Introduction to Elementary Classroom Teaching (EDEL 315*) or equivalent & Grade of “B-” or better.
3. Cultural Pluralism in Elementary Schools (EDEL 325*) or equivalent & Grade of “B-” or better. Must be taken at a 4-year university.

* Not offered during intersession or summer sessions at CSUF.

Course Equivalency:

If an applicant completed one or more of the prerequisite courses at another college or university, check the course equivalency chart to determine if the courses are pre-approved for equivalency.

If a course is not listed on the course equivalency chart and an applicant believes that it meets the course requirements, a course petition can be submitted for EDEL 315, EDEL 325 or Human Development, along with the required documentation listed on the form.

The pre-requisites courses must be completed within 5-years of beginning the program. If it has been more than 5 years since completing a course, an applicant may petition the 5-year rule by completing the appropriate petition (linked above) and submitting a current resume and statement of 100 words or less that demonstrates their knowledge of the content in the course.