# CSUF Credential Programs Fact Sheet

We recommend using this fact sheet together with the guidance of an academic advisor. To discuss your individual pathway to teaching, please make an appointment with a Center for Careers in Teaching (CCT) advisor.

(Course/department codes: **EDEL** = Elementary & Bilingual Education; **EDSC** = Secondary Education; **SPED** = Special Education)

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## Pre-requisite Courses

- Credential Program **Ethnic Studies Requirement** (separate from CSU GE)
- Human development course CAS 101 or CAS 312 or CAS 315 or CAS 325A & 325B or PSYC 361 or community college equivalent (see an advisor)
- **EDEL 315 Intro to Elem. Classroom** (includes fieldwork)
- **EDEL 325 Cultural Pluralism in Elem. Schools** (speak with an advisor to review GE double count opportunities)

## Basic Skills Requirement (BSR)

Satisfy **Basic Skills Requirement** (Reading, Writing & Math) with one of the following methods:
- Complete GE courses in areas A2, A3, & B4 with a B- or better (other coursework may be considered) - OR -
- Pass the California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST) - OR -
- See the CTC leaflet for additional options

## Subject Matter Knowledge and Competency

Satisfy with **one** of the following methods:
- Obtain a bachelor’s degree in Liberal Studies
- CAS-Elementary pathway - See a CCT Advisor. View links under option 1 & 2.
- Complete approved coursework
- Pass the CSET: Multiple Subjects exam
- Complete a combination of approved coursework and CSET: Multiple Subjects exam

Satisfy with **one** of the following methods:
- Obtain a bachelor’s degree in the subject you plan to teach
- Complete approved coursework
- Pass the CSET exam in the subject you plan to teach
- Complete a combination of approved coursework and CSET exams
- Complete a Subject Matter Preparation Program (SMPP) if available

For Early Childhood, Mild/Moderate, or Extensive Supports*:
- Credential Program **Ethnic Studies Requirement** (separate from CSU GE)
- **EDSC 310 The Teaching Experience: Participation** (includes fieldwork)
- **EDSC 320 Adolescent Development** (speak with an advisor to review GE double count opportunities)
- **EDSC 330 Developing Literacy in Secondary Schools**
- **EDSC 340 Diversity in Secondary Schools**

*See additional info under “misc.”

- **SPED 371:** Exceptional Individual
  - (includes fieldwork)
- **SPED 322:** Introduction to Positive Behavior Support
- **SPED 425:** Language and Culture for Special Populations (includes fieldwork)

Elementary / Jr. High / High School settings: **Any of the CSET Examinations approved for use for the Multiple or Single Subject Credentials**

Early Childhood: exempt from CSET
### Additional Information

CSET Multiple Subject – Subject Matter Competency:

Offered in three separate subtests which can be taken together or separately:

- **Subtest I** - Reading, Language & Literature, History & Social Science
- **Subtest II** - Math & Science
- **Subtest III** - Visual & Performing Arts, Physical Education, Human Development

**TK Settings:** Must also have 24 ECE units to work in TK classroom

**Recommended pre-credential courses (will be taken during credential program if not completed before):**

- EDSC 304: Personal Proficiency in Educational Technology for Secondary Teachers
- EDSC 410: Teaching English Learners in Secondary School

*If you are completing a SMPP, one or both of the courses above may be required. Be sure to verify course requirements on your respective [SMPP document](#) available on the CCT website.

**For Early Childhood Special Education:**

- Additionally, a minimum of 9 units of Child Dev. coursework required before beginning the program

**Recommended prerequisite courses (will be taken during credential program if not completed before. Must be complete before the program for students with Internships):**

- SPED 401: Introduction to Autism
- SPED 421: Working with Families of Students w/ Disabilities
- SPED 465 (formerly 463/464): Characteristics of Individuals with Mild/Mod. & Extensive Supports

**GPA requirement**

- 2.5 cumulative or 2.75 last 60 units
- Combined Program (FA start only): 3.0 cumulative or last 60 units
- 2.5 cumulative or 2.75 last 60 units

**Deadline to apply to credential program**

- Yearly rolling application deadlines:
  - **FALL:** Nov. 30th, Jan. 31st, & Feb. 28th
  - SPRING: Aug. 31st & Sept. 30th
- the earlier you submit, the earlier you are notified of your admission status

- Yearly application deadlines:
  - **FALL:** Feb. 15th
  - **SPRING:** Sept. 15th

**Contact Info (after attending an overview)**

- After attending an overview, applicants may email MSCPAdmissions@fullerton.edu
- Sangeetha Carmona, Admission Coordinator scarmona@fullerton.edu
- Lori Sadler, Admission Coordinator lsadler@fullerton.edu

### Single Subject Credential Program ONLY:

**CSUF Approved Programs Offered:**

- Underlined subjects = (Subject Matter Preparation Program) SMPP available. Not every content area has an approved SMPP. If no SMPP is available, subject matter requirement can be met in other ways.

**Fall & Spring Admissions**

- English
- Mathematics
- Social Science
- Foundational-Level General Science (FLGS)

**Science:**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Geosciences
- Physics

**Fall Only Admissions**

- Art
- Kinesiology/PE
- Music
- Foundation-Level Math (FLM)
- World Languages
  - Arabic
  - English Lang Dev
  - French
  - German
  - World Languages Cont.
  - Japanese
  - Korean
  - Mandarin
  - Spanish
  - Vietnamese