

Multiple Subject Credential Program Early Completion Option

The [Early Completion Option \(ECO\)](#) is intended to provide individuals who have requisite skills and knowledge an opportunity to challenge the course work portion of a Multiple Subject (MS) or Single Subject (SS) Intern Credentialing Program. All Commission-approved MS and SS intern programs (both university and district) must offer Early Completion Option to qualified candidates. The Early Completion Option does not waive the entire program but allows for an expedited pathway by waiving preparation program coursework for those candidates who meet the criteria.

Requirements for the Early Completion Intern Option

Individuals must satisfy **all** of the following requirements prior to admission:

1. Requirements for the issuance of a University or District Intern credential.
2. Individuals must have an offer of employment and be enrolled in a Commission-approved district or university intern program. Applications must be submitted to the Commission through the Commission-approved intern program sponsor.
3. Passage of the National Evaluation Series (NES) Assessment of Professional Knowledge (APK): Elementary (Test code 051) for Multiple Subjects candidates or Secondary (Test code 052) for Single Subject candidates (See Terms and Definitions). An intern who elects to use the early completion option **must first pass the required APK in order to qualify to take the teaching performance assessment required for the ECO**, as specified in Education Code section 44468.
4. Pass the Teaching Performance Assessment (TPA) necessary to satisfy the fieldwork component required for the teacher intern program. Candidates **must pass the TPA within the first year of the program, on the first attempt** in order to be eligible for the ECO. Candidates must remain enrolled in the program coursework and participate in the supervised clinical placement until the TPA is passed. If a candidate does not pass any section of the TPA on the first attempt, he/she is no longer eligible to participate in the ECO program and must complete the full teacher preparation program.
5. Completion of a course (two semester units or three quarter units) in the provisions and principles of the U.S. Constitution, or passage of an examination in the subject given by a regionally-accredited college, or university.
6. Fingerprint processing by Live Scan (form 41-LS), if not previously completed for the Commission.

Remaining Requirements for the Preliminary Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential

Individuals must satisfy **all** of the following requirements:[1]

1. Complete requirements listed above.
2. Pass the Reading Instruction Competence Assessment (RICA). RICA is a requirement for Multiple Subjects Credential candidates only. For more information, visit the [RICA website](#).
3. Complete foundational computer technology course work that includes general and specialized skills in the use of computers in educational settings.
4. Recommendation from Commission-approved intern program sponsor using the CTC online system.

Eligibility requirements:

1. Satisfy all admission requirements for the preliminary program.
2. Satisfy all requirements for Intern Program.
3. Complete CTC's ECO requirements listed above.
4. Provide evidence of two years serving at least half-time as teacher of record in a public school setting that meets [CTC requirements](#) for diversity.

Additional application requirements:

1. Resume/CV with appropriate teaching experience listed
2. Two letters of recommendation from current teaching experience (in place of letters from faculty)
3. Ethnic Studies requirement?

Waived pre-reqs:

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