

EDUCATION SPECIALIST CREDENTIAL PROGRAM

Special Education- Moderate/Severe Disabilities Credential

Fall 2021 Application Dates:

January 28 – March 1, 2021

When to Apply to the Credential Program

You may apply to the credential program

- a. If you have completed a bachelor's degree (BA or BS) **OR**
- b. If you are close to completing your degree (generally, in the last semester of the BA/BS program).

Program Starts

Students may begin the Credential program in the Fall or Spring semesters. Some summer courses are available.

General Requirements

1. **Applications – Must complete both applications.**

- a) **CSU, Stanislaus Graduate Application (\$70 fee)**
Online Application www.calstate.edu/apply
- b) **Credential Program - Paper Application (\$30 fee)**
 - i) **Download the application and all necessary forms here:** www.csustan.edu/Credentials/credential-information-application-forms
 - ii) **Submit to DBH 303 by the application deadline**

2. **Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement**

The required GPA is 2.75 in the last 60 units **or** 2.67 overall. Students with a **minimum 2.5** GPA may be considered for "Special Admission."

Admission Requirements

Applicants may apply before completing the admission requirements, but must have them completed before being accepted into the program.

1. **Subject Matter Competency** www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/

Complete **ONE** of the following:

- a) Pass 3 sections of CSET Multiple Subject. (CSET's: 101, 214, and 103) **OR**
- b) Pass CSET Single Subject exam or complete a subject matter preparation program (**in the areas of** Art, English, Foreign Language, Mathematics, Music, Social Science, **or** Science) **OR**
- c) **Stanislaus State Liberal Studies candidates ONLY**
Approved Elementary Subject Matter Program (ESM)

If using the CSET option: Must submit proof of passage **OR** registration when submitting application. Passage is required prior to the start of the semester for which an application was submitted.

2. **Basic Skills Requirement (BSE) – ONE option***

Applicants must submit proof of passage **OR** registration for either option a) or b). Passage is required prior to the start of the semester for which an application was submitted.

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- a) CBEST Exam (all 3 sections) - www.ctcexams.nesinc.com
- b) CSET Writing Skills Exam - www.ctcexams.nesinc.com
Only in conjunction with MSCP CSETs.
- c) CSU Early Assessment Program (EAP)-English and Math with a "College Ready" or "Exempt" score. (OR Combination of scores from EAP and EPT/ELM)
- d) CSU Placement Exam - English Placement Test (EPT) with a score of 151 and Entry Level Math (ELM) with a score of 50. (OR Combination of scores from EAP and EPT/ELM)
- e) College Board (AP) – English score of 3 **and** Math score of 3.
- f) ACT Exam - English score of 22 **and** Math score of 23
- g) College Board SAT Exam – Critical Reading score of 500 **and** Math score of 550.
- h) Pass a (BSE) from another state – List of exams from other states accepted by CCTC found at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl667.pdf>

3. **Early Field Experience**

Candidates are required to have a minimum of 45 hours of documented field experience prior to being admitted to the program, **must** be in K-12 grade US classrooms within the last 5 years.

(Not required for Stanislaus State Liberal Studies majors)

4. **English Composition**

All CSU graduates will have met this requirement as part of their BA/BS degree.

Can be met by **ONE** of the three options:

- a) Completion of a CSU WP class as part of the undergraduate program (verified by transcripts).
- b) Obtain a 41 or better on the writing portion of the CBEST.
- c) Completion of an upper division composition course with a grade of 'C' or better.

5. **American Government/Constitution**

ALL CSU graduates will have met this requirement as a part of their BA/BS degree.

This requirement can be met by taking a course that covers the U.S. Constitution.

6. **CCTC Certificate of Clearance **AND** Livescan.**

7. **Tuberculosis Clearance or TB Risk Assessment Clearance Good for only 4 years.**

Additional Information Available at:

- Credential Services: (209) 667-3534 | DBH 303
<http://www.csustan.edu/Credentials/> **OR**
www.csustan.edu/Teacher-education/special-education-forms-and-documents
- Dr. Karen Webster, Education Specialist Coordinator
(209) 664-3267 or ksanford@csustan.edu

Moderate/Severe Disabilities Credential Program Courses

	Course Number/Title	Units
Co-requisite 3 units	PSYC/CDEV 3140 – Human Development: Childhood OR PSYC/CDEV 3240 – Human Development: Adolescence OR NURS 1040 – Human Development over the Life Span	3
Semester 1 15 units	*EDSE 4210 – Teaching Reading/ELA in Special Education: Elementary (K-6)	3
	EDSE 4310 – Introduction to Special Education Programs	3
	*EDSE 4440 – Teaching Students: ESN	3
	EDSE 4560 – Introduction to Instructional Design	3
	EDSE 4750 – Applied Behavior Analysis in the Classroom	3
Semester 2 14 units	*EDMS 4121 – Mathematics Methods	3
	EDMS 4150 – Methods of Multilingual Education or Equivalent	3
	*EDSE 4110 – Teaching Reading/ELA in Special Education: Secondary (6 -12)	3
	*EDSE 4410 – Consultation and Collaboration	2
	*EDSE 4810 – Teaching Students with ASD	3
Semester 3 12 units	*EDSE 4430 – Assessment in Special Education	3
	*EDSE 4570 – Advanced Instructional Design: UDL	3
	**EDSE 4915/4916 – ESN Fieldwork Practicum I & II <i>(ESM/CSETs required; see Handbook for specific requirements)</i>	6
Total Program Units		44

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Needed for Preliminary Credential

Clinical Hours (Total 600 hours; course requirements + Fieldwork)

RICA: Take after completing EDSE 4110 and/or 4210

CPR Certification: Must include Infant, Child, Adult certification which meets criteria of the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.

Find more information here:

<https://www.csustan.edu/credentials/examcpr-information>

Note: If courses were previously completed (i.e., ECY or equivalent coursework), see Advisor to revise course plan.

Effective Fall 2019 (for newly admitted ESCP students)

Frequently Asked Questions about ESCP

What special education credentials are offered at CSU, Stanislaus?

CSU, Stanislaus offers the Preliminary Education Specialist Credentials: Mild/Moderate Support Needs and Extensive Support Needs. The specialty area *Mild/Moderate Support Needs* includes autism; specific learning disabilities; mild to moderate mental retardation; other health impairment; serious emotional disturbance. The specialty area *Extensive Support Needs* includes autism; deaf-blindness; moderate to severe mental retardation; multiple disabilities; serious emotional disturbance. Both authorize service in grades K–12 and in classes organized primarily for adults through age 22.

How much does it cost?

Students enrolled in 7 units or more will pay approximately \$4232 per semester (Fall/Spring); students enrolled in 0-6 units will pay approximately \$2834 per semester (Fall/Spring). Financial Aid is available for those who qualify. Contact Financial Aid office for more details at 667-3336.

If I am a student in the Liberal Studies concentration in Exceptional Children and Youth, am I also a candidate in the Special Education Credential Program?

No. Courses in the concentration are required to earn your baccalaureate degree. Declaration of the concentration is not equivalent to admission to the Education Specialist Credential Program.

Must I complete all co-requisite requirements before I apply for admission to the program? No. You can apply for admission in the same semester you enroll in the co-requisite courses: (a) EDSE 4310 and (b) CDEV 3140 or CDEV 3240. However, you must complete EDSE

Can I teach in at the elementary or secondary level with the Preliminary Education Specialist credential?

Yes. The Education Specialist Credential is a K-12 Credential. You are authorized to teach students in the areas authorized on your credential.

I am interested in an internship, but I am not currently employed by a school district or non-public school. Am I eligible to apply for the University's Internship Credential Program?

No. Interns are employed as teachers in collaborating school districts while completing the requirements for the Preliminary Education Specialist Credential. Consult the Program Coordinator for specific procedures and requirements for the University Internship Credential through Stanislaus State.

Am I guaranteed a student teaching placement in the area I

reside? No. While all efforts will be made to place you as close as possible to your residence, the primary criterion in the determination of placement is the quality of experiences the placement will provide.

Do You Offer Assistance in Passing the CBEST and CSET Exams?

Yes, contact the Teacher Recruitment and Retention Office (DBH 307) for information about test guide books, resources and upcoming workshops at (209) 667-3589 or visit teacheroutreach@csustan.edu.