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)
      Submit the Online Application at: www.calstate.edu/apply
   b) Credential Program – 4th Quadrant of Graduate Application ($30 fee)

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 in the last 60 units may be considered for “Special Admission” if they have met all Admission Requirements. (Including Basic Skills Requirement and Subject Matter Competency)

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
   Complete ONE of the following:
   a) Approved Subject Matter Preparation Program. OR
   b) Pass CSET Single Subject Exams in the approved content area. www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/ Must submit proof of passage OR registration when submitting application.

2. Basic Skills Requirement (BSE) – ONE option only.
   Passage is required prior to the start of the semester for which an application was submitted. Applicants must submit proof of passage for one of the following options
   a) CBEST Exam (all 3 sections) - www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/
   b) CSU Early Assessment Program (EAP) English and Math taken in 11th grade with a “College Ready” or “Exempt” score. (OR Combination of scores from EAP and EPT/ELM.)
   c) 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.)
   d) College Board (AP) – English score of 3 and Math score of 3.
   e) ACT Exam - English score of 22 and Math score of 23.
   f) College Board SAT Exam – Critical Reading score of 500 and Math score of 550.
   g) Pass a (BSE) from another state – List of exams from other states accepted by CCTC found at http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/c1667.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 7-12 grade US classrooms within the last 5 years.

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 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 part of their BA/BS degree.
   This requirement can be met by taking a course that covers the U.S. Constitution.

6. Second Language Experience
   Can be met by ONE of the five options:
   a) Completion of a language other than English including American Sign Language at the college level with a passing grade (3 units).
   b) Completion of one year of a language other than English at the high school level with a passing grade. If using this option official HS transcript must be submitted w/application.
   c) Completion of HILT (High Intensity Language Training) Program
   d) Other life experiences that demonstrate second language acquisition.
   e) EDUC 4460 meets this requirement for Spanish Bilingual students.

7. CCTC Certificate of Clearance AND Livescan.

8. Tuberculosis Clearance or TB Risk Assessment Questionnaire
   - Clearance must be dated with 4 years.
Pre-requisite Course
The following course is designated for the program. This class **MUST** have been taken or be in progress when applying to the program.

- EDSS 3900 Foundations of Secondary Education (3 units)
- If you are not a CSU Stan Student or have already graduated, this course is available through University Extended Education. Visit www.csustan.edu/uee/open-university to register.

Co-requisite Courses
The following courses are designated for the program. Both classes can be taken prior to applying or while in program.
1. PSYC/CDEV 3240 Human Dev. II: Adolescence
2. EDUC 4460 Cultural Views on Bilingualism
   (Only required for students completing the Spanish Bilingual Authorization).

Credential Program Course Requirements
*Note: Candidates must have passed basic skills requirement, EDSS 3900, and fulfilled the subject matter competency requirement—either through CSET or a waiver program—to begin course work in the program. Co-requisite courses may be taken the first semester: PSYC/CDEV 3240 and EDUC 4460 (Spanish Bilingual Students only).

First Semester – 16 units

- EDSS 4100 (core) Secondary Ed Methods I (4 units)
- EDSS 4850 Secondary Ed. Field Practicum I (2 units)
  (Concurrent enrollment with EDSS 4100)
- EDSS 4110 Multilingual Education in Secondary Schools (3 units) OR EDUC 4400 Intro to Multilingual Education (3 units) (Bilingual Authorization Only)
- EDSS 4115 Teaching Literacy in Content Area (3 units)
  OR EDSS 4215 Reading and Writing in the Content Area: Bilingual (3 units) (Bilingual Authorization Only)
- KINS 4165 Survey of School Health/Safety (1 unit)
- EDSS 4550 Educ Equity, Div. & Access in a Global Society (1 unit)
- EDIT 4170 Ed Technology Foundations (2 units) *
  * Preliminary Educational Technology Requirement.
  The Preliminary Educational Technology Requirement can be met in one of two ways:
  a) Pass the two subtests of the CSET Preliminary Educational Technology Requirement Exam (133 & 134). (No units on transcripts)
     www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/
  OR
  b) Take EDIT 4170 Educational Technology Foundations course for 2 units after admission to the credential program.

Second Semester – 16 units

- EDSS 4300 (core) Secondary Ed Methods II (4 units)
- EDSS 4400 (core) Secondary Ed Methods III (4 units)
- EDSS 4855 Secondary Ed Field Practicum II (5 units)
  (Concurrent enrollment with 4300 and 4400)
- EDSE 4310 Introduction to Special Education (3 units)

**TOTAL SSCP UNITS = 32 units**

Additional requirements to be completed prior to being recommended for teaching credential:

1) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
   All students applying for a Preliminary Credential demonstrate that they have “infant, child, and adult CPR certification which meets the criteria of the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.” Find additional information here: https://www.csustan.edu/credentials/examcpr-information

2) Teacher Performance Assessments (TPAs)
   Teacher candidates must complete and pass the TPA tasks. These tasks are separate, but are interrelated. The coursework within the Credential Program will prepare students for the TPAs. TPA orientation meetings are held at the beginning of each semester for students to better understand the process. https://www.csustan.edu/teachered/teaching-performance-assessment

Frequently Asked Questions About SSCP

**How long does it take to complete the program?**
The program is 32 units. Full-time students can complete the program in one year if enrolled in both semesters. Students who start in August finish by the end of May. Students who begin in January finish by the end of December.

**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). Overall book costs are approximately $700. Financial Aid is available for those who qualify. Contact Financial Aid office for more details at 667-3336.

**Do you have paid internships?**
Yes. CSU Stanislaus has intern agreements with most school districts in Stanislaus, Merced, and San Joaquin counties. Interns do not complete the second semester of traditional student teaching; their paid internship replaces student teaching. Students can become interns after completing EDSS 4100/4850 courses. While registered for EDSS 4300/4400/4855, internship placements would substitute for the traditional student teaching experience. An internship seminar, EDUC 6538, offered through University Extended Education is also required.

**Do you offer assistance in passing the CBEST & 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.

**What is required for Special Admission?**
The Department of Teacher Education is allowed to admit a small number of students who do not meet admittance requirements. Students who are below the GPA requirements and have a minimum 2.5 GPA in the last 60 units if they have met all admission requirements, must submit a letter requesting special consideration for admittance. Special admission will only be granted if there is room available.

**Additional Resources: **
- Dr. Heather Dean, Single Subject Coordinator (209) 667-3793 or hdean@csustan.edu
- credential@csustan.edu OR www.csustan.edu/Credentials/
  http://www.csustan.edu/TeacherEd/SSCPFormsDocuments.html

- DBH 303
  - www.csustan.edu/teachered/teaching-performance-assessment

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