

Keeping it Simple
Adding Authorizations (to a multiple subjects credential)

Introductory Subject Matter Authorization (available in ALL subject areas)

Requires **32** semester units in the subject

Units need to be distributed across “sub disciplines”

Often confused with the old “supplementary authorization” of 20 units

Units must be on transcript and “degree applicable” (Univ or community college)

Subject area advisors can suggest which courses (ask AW for a list)

Commission on Teacher Credentialing or County Office personnel approve units

NCLB compliant for teaching through grade 9

Full Single Subject Credential (available in ALL subject areas)

Requires a degree and/OR the single subject CSET in the subject

Requires a “single subject” methods class

(ENED 353, SCED 173, SSED378, MTED 394)

NCLB compliant for teaching through grade 12

Foundational Credential (math and science only)

Requires first 2 subtests of single subject CSET

Requires a “single subject” methods class (SCED 173)

For math take TED625B at National University

NCLB compliant for teaching all middle level and SOME high school courses

When you apply for your multiple subjects credential you can apply for any of these authorizations at the same time. The multiple subject credential is approved INSTANTLY by the CCTC when our credentials office submits your information electronically. Same is true if you add the full single subject credential at the same time (with transcript and CSET proof).

Introductory authorizations can take more time because CCTC has to approve 32 units. Santa Clara County Office staff can do it more quickly once your multiple subjects credential is approved.

The County Office can also approve Foundational Credentials swiftly with CSET scores and transcript more quickly once your multiple subjects credential is approved. Latishia Stevenson is a great resource at the County Office.