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Frequently Asked Questions

How do I get started in a credential program?	Visit the <u>Lurie College of Education Academics</u> <u>webpage</u> to view and learn more about the credential programs available at SJSU.
How do I obtain a Crosscultural, Language, and Academic Development (CLAD) certificate?	You may take the CTEL (CA Teachers of English Learners) exam, subtests I, II, and II. Go to <u>ctel.nesinc.com</u> for more information. If you pass you may apply directly with the CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) for the CLAD certificate. There are also CTC approved CLAD programs if you prefer to complete coursework. You may contact CTC at <u>credentials@ctc.ca.gov</u> for information.
Do I have to submit official transcripts from ALL colleges where I attended?	No, Credential Services should have access to all of your transcripts if you are a matriculated student. In the event that we are unable to locate your transcript(s) in the SJSU document database, you may be required to submit them. SJSU transcripts must show passing grades through your final semester of the credential program as well as any coursework approved for BSR and/or SMC requirements. Speech-Language Pathology and PPS credential candidates must have their MA degree conferred on their SJSU transcripts before applying for their credential.
If I received my bachelor's degree from outside of the U.S. do I need to turn in those transcripts?	No, however, your foreign transcripts require an evaluation by an agency approved by CTC. You must have an equivalent U.S. bachelor's degree with a minimum of 120 semester units completed. Review the <u>CTC leaflet cl-635</u> for a list of CTC-approved agencies. If you used on the approved agencies for your foreign transcript evaluation and it was submitted to SJSU for admission, we should have access to it.
Is my U.S. bachelor's/master's degree valid for obtaining a CA teaching credential?	The CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing can only accept coursework and degrees completed at regionally accredited institutions. Degrees and coursework must have been completed while the institution was regionally accredited in order for the Commission to consider them for credentialing purposes. Please go to <u>CTC</u> <u>Acceptable Accreditation Bodies</u> for current listings.

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U.S. but my master's or PhD is from a U.S.	from a regionally accredited institution in the
institution do I still need to have my transcripts	U.S., then you will only need to submit an official
evaluated for my bachelor's degree?	transcript showing that degree.
Can I obtain a master's degree and a credential	Yes, however, you cannot be enrolled in two
at the same time?	SJSU programs at the same time but some
	coursework may overlap. Please check with the
	program departments for information.
Can I take Health and Mainstreaming at another	Currently, SJSU accepts courses from UC Santa
university to meet my SB2042 Preliminary	Cruz Extension - XSC265 Becoming a
Multiple or Single Subject credential?	Professional Educator and the University of San
	Diego Extension - X569I Health Education &
	X569H Mainstreaming, for meeting these
	requirements.
Can I submit copies of my test scores and keep	Yes, copies of CBEST, CSET, RICA, Computer
my original test results?	Technology Level I, and the U.S. Constitution test
	results (if applicable) are acceptable.
What if my CPR card has expired?	The Adult, Child & Infant CPR card must be valid
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	CPR is expired, you must retake the course.
If I submit a copy of my Internship credential	An Internship credential means you have already
what does this meet when I apply for my	submitted evidence of a bachelor's degree, basic
preliminary credential?	skills requirement (BSR), subject matter
	competency (SMC), US Constitution, and
	Certificate of Clearance (fingerprinting). You may
	submit a copy of your Internship credential in lieu
	of these documents.
Your Information Sheet contains a statement	Frequently we get calls from school districts,
regarding release of information and privacy.	principals, counties office of education, credential
What information do you release and to whom?	analysts from other universities, and the CA
	Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding
	your credential application. We do not give out
	personal information unless you give us consent.
How do I clear my Preliminary SB2042 Multiple	You must complete an induction program which
or Single Subject credential?	is offered at all public school districts and some
	county offices of education. Upon completion,
	your induction program sponsor will assist you in
	applying for your clear credential. SJSU is not
	authorized to process applications for clear
	credentials completed through a district induction
	program.
What if my school district (employer) has no	This may happen in the case of a private
induction program in order for me to clear my	school. Your school district may ask other school
SB2042 preliminary credential?	districts if they will accept you into their induction
	program as a courtesy, or you may enroll in an
	approved clear program offered through an
	institution. Contact CTC at
	<u>credentials@ctc.ca.gov</u> for a current listing.

How do I renew my clear credential?	You may renew most clear credentials online
	through the <u>CTC website</u> . If you are unable to
	renew it online, you may contact CTC directly at
	credentials@ctc.ca.gov for guidance.
What is a C-19 letter and how can I prove to my	C-19 letters are only issued to individuals who
employer that I have applied for my credential?	must submit a paper application which may take
	3-6 months to process. All online
	recommendations are processed within 2-4 weeks
	and employers will be able to verify your
	application once you make your payment online.
How can I obtain a CA credential if I did my	You may submit a direct application to <u>CTC</u> for
coursework and received a credential from	an evaluation to determine if you qualify for a CA
another state?	credential based on an out of state program. You
	may contact CTC directly at
	credentials@ctc.ca.gov for information on how to
	file.
How can I contact the CA Commission on	Email: <u>credentials@ctc.ca.gov</u>
Teacher Credentialing?	
	Mailing Address:
	CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)
	1900 Capitol Avenue
	Sacramento, CA 95811-4213
How can I obtain a duplicate copy of my	Visit the CTC website at <u>www.ctc.ca.gov</u> . Log on
credential?	to your Educator Account and print a copy.
How do I change my name at the CA	Visit the CTC website at <u>www.ctc.ca.gov</u> . You
Commission on Teacher Credentialing and get	must submit a request to CTC to have your
a new credential showing my new name?	personal information updated.
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