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Orientation: Special Education

Department of Special Education
San Jose State University



Teaching in California

**Teacher Preparation: must have
a teaching “Credential” to teach
in California** (not an MA, Ph.D, ...)

California Commission on
Teacher Credentialing (CCTC)



California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

- Issues all teaching Credentials in California
- Standards that need to be met for each Credential
- Seven Education Specialists Credentials in California; SJSU has preparation for three
- <http://www.ctc.ca.gov>



Department of Special Education: 3 Credential Programs:

1. Education Specialist Teaching Credential in Mild to Moderate Disabilities (M/M): K-12th grade

The Education Specialist Instruction Credential: Mild/Moderate Disabilities authorizes the holder to conduct assessments, provide instruction, and special education related services to individuals with a primary disability of specific learning disabilities, mild/moderate intellectual disabilities, other health impairment, emotional disturbance, and autism spectrum disorders within the disability area, in kindergarten, grades 1 through 12, and classes organized primarily for adults in services across the continuum of program options available.



Credential Program

2. Education Specialist Teaching Credential in Moderate to Severe Disabilities (M/S): K-12 grade

The Education Specialist Instruction Credential: Moderate/Severe Disabilities authorizes the holder to conduct assessments, provide instruction, and special education related services to individuals with a primary disability of autism, moderate/severe intellectual disabilities, deaf-blind, emotional disturbance, and multiple disabilities, in kindergarten, grades 1 through 12 to age 22, and classes organized primarily for adults in services across the continuum of program options available.



Credential Program

3. Education Specialist Teaching Credential in Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE): Birth-PreK

Includes the mild, moderate, and severe disabilities listed above and traumatic brain injury, and authorizes service to children ages birth to pre-kindergarten only.



Three Formats to complete the Credential Program

1. Traditional Student (student teach with a Master Teacher)
2. Intern (complete program while teaching as a first year teacher)
3. Concurrent Program – Gen Ed - Multiple subject/Single Subject & Spec. Ed – Mild/Mod



Requirements: Intern Option

1. Admission to a SJSU Department of Special Education Credential program
2. Pre-Service courses (classes and/or Intern Institute) – 165 Hours
3. Must have a job offer from a district or school that is connected with our Intern Program



Early Childhood SE: Added Authorization

- Prerequisite – Clear or Level 11 in other credential
- 7 courses includes the following: 24 Units
- 18 units: 6 Courses: Edse 104, Edse 108, Edse 214A, Edse 218A, Edse 221, Edse 234A
- 6 units: 1 Course – Edse 154 – Student teaching – last spring semester – includes 2 placements



Autism – Added Authorization Courses and Certificate

- 3 Courses: EDSE 218A, 218B, 218C

Certificate in Theory, Knowledge and
Practice about Autism Spectrum
Disorders

- Content about Autism is embedded in
all credential and MA programs -
EDSE 218A



Concurrent Programs

Two Credential Programs completed at the same time:

1. Education Specialist Teaching Credential in Mild to Moderate Disabilities

and

**2. Multiple Subject Teaching Credential or
Single Subject Teaching Credential**

*** See [Roadmap](http://www.sjsu.edu/specialed) www.sjsu.edu/specialed**



Roadmaps

See [Roadmaps](#): (M/M, M/S, ECSE for each)

- Preliminary Credential or Preliminary w/ Intern Option
- Preliminary Credential (for candidates with clear single or multiple subject credential)
- Preliminary Credential and Masters of Art Degree
- Clear Credential in all 3 credential areas



MA Program Requirements- 30 units

- MA Writing Assessment: dates are on the web site:
www.sjsu.edu/specialed
- Statistics Class - Undergrad degree
- GPA of 3.0 to apply
- Certificate of Clearance



MA Program: 10 courses:

4 Research and 6 credential courses

- **1.EDSE 285: Seminar on Issues Related to Teaching Exceptional Individuals- Fall Semester**
- **2.EDSE 231: Issues and Research in Special Education- Spring semester following EDSE 285**
- **3.EDSE 231X: Educational Research: Design and Implementation – Fall semester following EDSE 231**
- **4.EDSE 220: Research Seminar- Spring semester following EDSE 231X**



Application Process

**Department of Special
Education Web Site:**

<http://www.sjsu.edu/specialed/>



Subject Matter Requirement - Admission

Education Specialist Mild to Moderate Disabilities and Moderate to Severe Disabilities Credentials:

Multiple Subject CSET: Three sections and elementary education aged students and in some cases, middle school

Single Subject CSET: Art, English, Music, Mathematics, including foundational-level mathematics, foreign language, science, including foundational-level general science or specialize science, social science. Take this if you want to teach high school aged students or in some cases, middle school.

Education Specialist Early Childhood Special Education Credential:

Three child development classes (submit transcript)



US constitution and RICA requirements

- M/M and M/S candidates must complete and pass RICA exam before filing for credential at end of program
- Must pass US constitution exam or course work by end of first semester

See the Credentials office web site for information:

http://www.sjsu.edu/education/departments/cred_office/credinfo/us_req/index.html



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