

SINGLE SUBJECT CREDENTIAL PROGRAM

This program leads to a preliminary Single Subject Credential for teaching at the secondary school setting—middle or high school. Candidates may begin most programs in either fall or spring and participate in supervised teaching practica throughout northeastern California.

Candidates are able to complete programs leading to credentials through a variety of delivery modes including in-person, online, and hybrid. Assigned faculty advisors assist candidates with program planning.

Subject matter preparation requirements are governed by state legislative action and approval of the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. Requirements may change between catalogs. Please consult with your department credential advisor for current information.

Licensure and Credentialing

Admission into programs leading to licensure and credentialing does not guarantee that students will obtain a license or credential. Licensure and credentialing requirements are set by agencies not controlled by or affiliated with the CSU, and requirements can change at any time. For example, licensure or credentialing requirements can include evidence of the right to work in the United States (e.g., Social Security number or taxpayer identification number) or successfully passing a criminal background check. Students are responsible for determining whether they can meet licensure or credentialing requirements. The CSU will not refund tuition, fees or any associated costs to students who determine subsequent to admission that they cannot meet licensure or credentialing requirements.

The California State University has not determined whether its programs meet other states' educational or professional requirements for licensure and certification. Students enrolled in a California State University program who are planning to pursue licensure or certification in other states are responsible for determining whether they will meet their state's requirements for licensure or certification. This disclosure is made pursuant to 34 CFR §668.43(a)(5)(v)(C).

Grading Requirement

All courses taken to fulfill program course requirements must be taken for a letter grade except those courses specified by the department as credit/no credit grading only.

- All courses taken to fulfill credential course requirements must be completed with a grade of C- or higher
- Must attain a cumulative 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA).
- Courses must be completed within seven years of applying for the credential.

Course Requirements for the Single Subject Credential

Completion of the following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, is required of all candidates for this credential. If courses from another university are used to satisfy prerequisite or additional course requirements, an equivalency form, course descriptions, syllabi, and transcripts must be provided.

Prerequisites for Admission to the Credential Program

All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of C- or higher prior to beginning the credential program.

Course	Title	Units
EDTE 255	Introduction to Democratic Perspectives in K-12 Teaching	3
or EDTE 265	Exploration of Teaching and Learning in Diverse K-12 Settings	
EDTE 302	Access and Equity in Education	3
EDTE 530	Fundamentals of Teaching Practice for Secondary Teachers	3
ENGL 471	Intensive Theory and Practice of Second Language Acquisition ¹	3

¹ Chico State English majors and linguistics minors must take ENGL 371 and ENGL 470.

Additional Courses required for a California State University, Chico recommendation for a credential

Complete at any time, but recommended before starting required credential courses.

Course	Title	Units
CMST 131	Public Speaking	3
EDTE 451	Health Education for Secondary School Teachers	3
EDTE 534	Teaching Special Populations	2
POLS 155	American Government: National, State, and Local	3
Total Units		11

Credential Program Courses

Must be accepted into the credential program in order to take these courses. Subject matter competence and basic skills requirement must be verified before applying to the program. Program starts in the fall and spring semesters. Courses must be completed within seven years of applying for the credential.

Semester I		Units
EDTE 535	Teaching Practicum I	6
EDTE 536	Content Area Instructional Methods	3
EDTE 580	Educational Psychology	3
EDTE 632	Literacy Development	3
EDUC 502	Assessment of Teaching Performance: Introduction	2
	Units	17
Semester II		
EDTE 533	Justice-Centered Instructional Methods	3
EDTE 537	Applications for Democratic Education	3
EDTE 538	Teaching Practicum II	9
EDUC 501	Teaching Performance Assessment	3
EDUC 503	Assessment of Teaching Performance: Application	3
	Units	21
	Total Units	38

Credential programs at Chico State are accredited by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/>). Course requirements are accurate at the time of catalog publication but are subject to change based on changes to state credentialing legislation. Check with the

School of Education (<https://www.csuchico.edu/soe/index.shtml/>) for the most current information on credential course requirements.

Admission Requirements

1. All prerequisite courses must be completed with grades of C- or higher before taking in-program California State University, Chico credential courses.
2. The CSU Chancellor's Office sets a GPA requirement each year. Please email Chico State credential services (credentials@csuchico.edu) for the most current information regarding the GPA requirement.
3. Subject Matter Requirement (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/subject-matter-requirements/>) (SMR) is required for admission to the credential program. Find the list of options for meeting SMR on the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) website.
4. Certificate of Clearance (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/certificate-of-clearance-cl-900/>) (fingerprint clearance) must be on file before acceptance to the credential program. Find more information and the application procedure on the CTC website.
5. Credential candidates must be admitted to the University before beginning a program. Apply to Chico State as a graduate student through Cal State Apply (<https://www.calstate.edu/apply/>).
6. A baccalaureate or higher degree, except in professional education, from a regionally accredited college or university is required to obtain a credential recommendation.
7. Candidates must reside within the Chico State service area (https://www.csuchico.edu/soe/_assets/documents/service-area-map.pdf) to complete the credential program.
8. Additional documentation and requirements are necessary for a complete application to the credential program. Begin the Chico State Credential Program Application (<https://www.csuchico.edu/soe/credential/apps.shtml/>) to learn more.
9. All prerequisite courses are offered every semester. Apply to the credential program during the semester you will finish the prerequisite courses. Applications are due March 1 for fall semester; October 1 for spring semester. The credential application and application workshops information can be found on the School of Education (<https://www.csuchico.edu/soe/credential/apps.shtml/>) website. Bilingual Authorization, Concurrent, Paraprofessional, and some Single Subject (art, music, and world languages/Spanish) credential programs are fall start only; all other programs have a spring and fall start date.