

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Preliminary Education Specialist Credential in Early Childhood (ECSE)



SAN DIEGO STATE
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College of Education, San Diego State University

- **Bachelor's Degree**
 - Candidates must hold a bachelor's degree before entering the credential program
- **GPA Requirement**
 - The teaching credential program requires a minimum 2.67 over GPA or 2.75 GPA in your last 60 semester/90 quarter units
- **Basic Skills Requirement (CBEST)**
 - Take and provide passing scores to the California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST) prior to entering the credential program. CBEST website: www.ctcexams.nesinc.com
- **Subject Matter Competency**
 - Verification of completion of a child development course preferably a course that includes child development for young children from birth to age 6 (Please note development and learning for Adolescence/Adulthood is not acceptable). The CSET is not required for ECSE credential program.
[Acceptable courses offered at SDSU:](#)
 - CFD375A Human Development and Learning: Infant and Toddlers
 - CFD375B Human Development and Learning: Early/Middle (3 to age 12)
[Please consult with your ECSE faculty advisor if you wish to take a child development course at another institution.](#)
- **Prerequisite Coursework**

Coursework to be taken and passed with grade of "C" or better in the last seven years prior to beginning the credential program. These courses cannot be taken concurrently with the program.

 - SPED 500- Human Exceptionality (3 units)
 - SPED 501- Typical & Atypical Learning Processes (3 units)
 - SPED 502- Field Experiences in General and Special Education (1 unit)
 - SPED 527- SPED in a Pluralistic Society (3 units)
 - SPED 528- Young Children with Disabilities and Their Families (3 units, **Fall only**)
 - *Because this course is not offered in the summer or spring, student may take this course concurrently with the credential program course work in the first Fall semester.*
 - DLE915A or DLE915B Teaching and Learning in the Content Area: ELD/SDAIE (3 units)

Non-SDSU students may enroll in prerequisite courses through Open University with the College of Extended Studies (<http://www.ces.sdsu.edu/>). Most prerequisite courses will be offered through Open University in the summer sessions.

- **Certificate of Clearance**
 - State regulations require fingerprinting and background check before you may be placed in a California public classroom.
 - Note: Clearance process could take up to six months (On average takes one month)
- **Tuberculin Clearance**
 - Verification of a negative TB test must be valid and on file throughout the credential program.
- **Exit Requirements:**
 - Health Education for Teacher (TE280 at SDSU) and valid CPR training for adult/child/infant
 - U.S Constitution course work or exam (CSU grad will meet this requirement)
 - RICA examination (not required for Early Childhood)
 - Successful completion of the credential coursework with a minimum grade point average of 3.0

We encourage you to speak with a credential advisor at least once throughout your application process.

SDSU Prospective Credential Program Information

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Preliminary Credential Application Checklist: Preliminary Education Specialist ECSE Program

Fall 2019 Admission: October 1, 2018- March 1, 2019

Apply Online!

- Located: <http://go.sdsu.edu/education/admissions/graduate-admissions.aspx>
- Deadline Date: March 1, 2019
- What to expect on the application:
 - Personal contact information
 - Transcripts
 - Written personal narrative/statement
 - Two letters of recommendation
 - Attaching electronic copies of several documents
 - Short personal video
 - Application fee

Preliminary Education Specialist Early Childhood Program of Study 2 Semester Program Option	
Preliminary, Semester 1	Preliminary, Semester 2
SPED 530 (Issues in Autism) – 3 units	SPED 526 (Char. & Ed. Phys., Health, Sensory Impairments) – 3 units
SPED 553 (Behavioral Strategies and Supports for Students with Disabilities) - 3 units	SPED 560 (Applications of Technology for Individuals with Disabilities) – 3 units
SPED 635 (Assessment in ECSE & M/S) – 3 units	SPED 643A (Ed. Programs. & Services for Young Children with Disabilities - Preschool) - 3 units
SPED 643B- (Educational Programs & Services for Young Children with Disabilities- Infant/Toddler) – 3 units	SPED 662 (Collaboration, Legislation, and Educational Planning in SPED) – 3 units
SPED 980D (Advanced Practicum -- Infant/Toddler)	SPED 980D (Advanced Practicum -- Preschool)

Preliminary Education Specialist Early Childhood Program of Study 4 Semester Program Option	
Semester 1	Semester 3
SPED 553 (Behavioral Strategies and Supports of Students with Disabilities) – 3 units	SPED 530 (Issues in Autism) – 3 units
SPED 643B (Educational Programs & Services for Young Children w/Disabilities-Infant/ Toddler) – 3 units	SPED 635 (Assessment in ECSE & M/S) – 3 units
SPED 970B (Practicum in General & SPED) (required for Intern ONLY)	SPED 980D (Advanced Practicum -- Infant/Toddler)
DLE596 (seminar)- 1 unit (required for Intern ONLY)	DLE596 (seminar)- 1 unit (required for Intern ONLY)
Semester 2	Semester 4
SPED 970B (Practicum in General & SPED) (required for Intern ONLY)	SPED 526 (Char. & Ed. Physical, Health, Sensory Impairments) – 3 units
SPED 560 (Applications of Technology for Individuals with Disabilities) – 3 units	SPED 662 (Collaboration, Legislation, and Educational Planning in SPED) – 3 units
SPED 643A (Educational Programs and Services for Young Children with Disabilities- Preschool) – 3 units	SPED 980D (Advanced Practicum -- Preschool)
DLE596 (seminar)- 1 unit (required for Intern ONLY)	DLE596 (seminar)- 1 unit (required for Intern ONLY)

Petitions to substitute prerequisite courses may be approved. A petition for waiver request form must be submitted with supporting materials (course syllabus & transcript) for department review any time prior to the supplemental department application deadline.

Petition Form: http://go.sdsu.edu/education/sped/files/00700-form_petition_for_substitution_waiver.pdf

Contact Information for Special Education Faculty Advisor: <http://go.sdsu.edu/education/sped/advising.aspx>