

# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Preliminary Education Specialist Credential in Mild/Moderate



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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](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com)
- **Subject Matter Competency**
  - **Option one:** take and provide passing scores to the California Subject Examinations for Teachers in Multiple Subject (**MS-CSET**). CSET website: [www.ctcexams.nesinc.com](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com).
  - **Option two:** take and provide passing scores to the California Subject Examinations for Teachers in one of these core academic subjects: **Math, Science, Social Science or English**. Single Subject CSET website: [www.ctcexams.nesinc.com](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com)

*Please note that CSET results are valid for five years. All candidates must apply for their teaching credential prior to the expiration of their CSET scores. Admission to the internship credential program may require proof of MS-CSET.*

### □ **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 524- Characteristics of Students with Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3 units, **Spring only**)
- 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 Advising**

[teach.sdsu.edu](http://teach.sdsu.edu)

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# Preliminary Credential Application Checklist: Preliminary Education Specialist M/M 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

<b>Preliminary Education Specialist Mild/Moderate Program of Study 2 Semester Program Option</b>	
<b>Preliminary, Semester 1</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>
SPED 505 (Educational Services for Students with SED) – 1 unit	SPED 534 (Classroom Assessment M/M) – 3 units
SPED 530 (Issues in Autism) – 3 units	SPED 648 (Advanced Special Education Adaptations) – 3 units
SPED 553 (Behavioral Strategies and Supports for Students with Disabilities) – 3 units	SPED 657 (Facilitating Transition Across Environments in SPED) – 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 647 (SPED Adaptations of Basic Skills Instruction) – 3 units	SPED 980A (Advanced Practicum)
TE 930 (Teaching Reading & Language Arts) – 3 units	
SPED 970A (Practicum in General & SPED) Take RICA exam first Saturday in December	

<b>Preliminary Education Specialist Mild/Moderate Program of Study 4 Semester Program Option</b>			
<b>Semester 1</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>	<b>Semester 3</b>	<b>Semester 4</b>
SPED 530 (Issues in Autism) – 3 units	SPED 560 (Applications of Technology for Individuals with Disabilities) – 3 units	SPED 505 (Educational Services for Students with SED) – 1 unit	SPED 534 (Classroom Assessment M/M) – 3 units
SPED 553 (Behavioral Strategies and Supports of Students with Disabilities) – 3 units	SPED 657 (Facilitating Transition Across Environments in SPED) – 3 units	SPED 647 (SPED Adaptations of Basic Skills Instruction) – 3 units	SPED 648 (Advanced Special Education Adaptations) – 3 units
SPED 970A (Practicum in General & SPED)-4 units <b>(Required for Intern ONLY)</b>	SPED 662 (Collaboration, Legislation, and Educational Planning in SPED) – 3 units	TE 930** (Teaching Reading & Language Arts) – 3 units	SPED 980A (Adv. Practicum)
DLE596 (Seminar)- 1 units <b>(Required for Intern ONLY)</b>	SPED 970A (Practicum in General & SPED) <b>(Required for Intern ONLY)</b>	SPED 970A (Practicum in General & SPED)	DLE596 (Seminar)- 1 units <b>(Required for Intern ONLY)</b>
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Petitions to substitute a prerequisite course may be approved. A petition for waiver request form must be submitted with supporting materials (course syllabus & copy of transcript) for department review at 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](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>