

District Route Checklist



Central Coast Teach Up - Monterey Peninsula College

Special Education teachers earn an Education Specialist Teaching Credential, certifying educators to teach students in specific areas of specializations such as Mild to Moderate Support Needs, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Visually Impaired, and more. The first step to becoming a certified teacher is to earn a five-year Preliminary Credential. Individuals who have extensive classroom experience might consider the District Internship Route. This route requires candidates to seek sponsorship by a California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)-approved District Intern program. For assistance with navigating the following requirements, please contact us at centralcoastteachup@mpc.edu.

REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST (for eligibility):		
☐ Bachelor's Degree	Major: GPA:	
☐ Basic Skills Requirement	Satisfied by one of the following options: CBEST Exam Multiple Subject CSET + Writing Skills CSET Pass CSU Early Assessment Program or CSU Placement Exam SAT or ACT exam AP Exam Pass Basic Skills Exam from Another State Qualifying Coursework Combination of qualifying coursework and exams	
☐ Subject Matter Competency	Satisfied by one of the following options: CSET exam Approved Subject Matter Waiver Program Completion of an academic major in the subject area of the credential Combination of qualified coursework and exam	
☐ US Constitution Competency	Satisfied by one of the following options: Complete a course on the U.S. Constitution Pass an examination by an accredited college or university	
☐ Verification by employing agency	This step is completed by the district sponsoring the candidate. "The governing board of the employing agency must verify (on form CL-707A, entitled Governing Board Statement for District Intern Credentials) that the district intern will be assisted and guided throughout the training period by a certificated employee who has been designated per California Education Code Section 44830.3(a)".	
☐ Application	in collaboration with the employing agency, a completed application needs to be submitted with a completed Live Scan receipt to the CTC.	

REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST (for completion of pathway):	
☐ Reading Instruction Competence Assessment (RICA)	Satisfied by one of the following options: Written Examination Video Examination
☐ Teaching Performance Assessment	Satisfied by one of the following options (completed while in Teacher Preparation Program): CalTPA edTPA
☐ Professional Development Plan	The employing district is responsible for implementing a Professional Development Plan where a mentor teacher is assigned to the prospective teacher.
☐ Formal Recommendation	Upon completion of the requirements listed above, candidates will apply to the CTC for their Preliminary Credential with the recommendation of the sponsoring district. More information will be provided when the requirements are completed.

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