



# Welcome Meeting

2026

Education Specialist Cohorts

May 14, 2026, Zoom



SACRAMENTO STATE



[Link to recording](#)

# Land Acknowledgment

Sacramento State acknowledges the land politically designated as Sacramento to be the homeland of the Nisenan people who were violently displaced as a result of European settler colonialism over the course of 400 years.

We would like to acknowledge the Southern Maidu people to the North, the Valley and Plains Miwok/ Me-Wuk Peoples to the south of the American River, and the Patwin Wintun Peoples to the west of the Sacramento River. We would also like to honor the Wilton Rancheria, the only federally recognized tribe in Sacramento County.



# Welcome Meeting Agenda

## 2026 Cohorts: Education Specialists

- **5:30– 6:30pm**
  - ALL Candidates: meet Sac State’s education specialist faculty and Teaching Credentials staff. Learn about student resources.
- **6:30– 7:30pm**
  - ALL Candidates: breakout into your credential cohort to learn more about your credential program & how to prepare to start.

# Teaching Credentials Department



Dr. Brian Lim  
T Cred Dept. Chair  
[lim@csus.edu](mailto:lim@csus.edu)



## Current Students

[Current Student Checklist \(MS, SS, & all Ed Specialist Programs\)](#)

[PK-3 Credential Clinical Practice Equivalency](#)

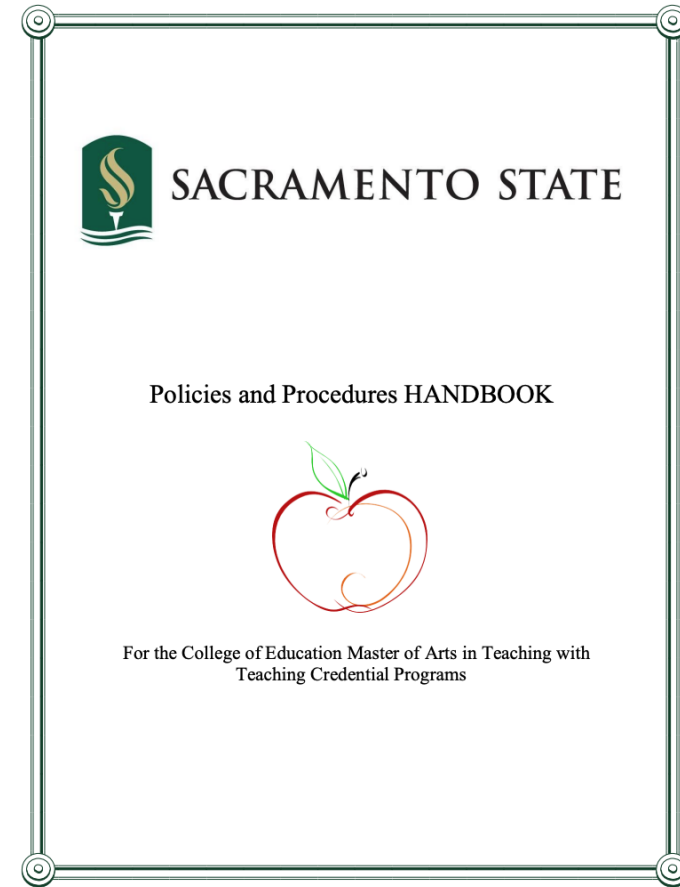
[Handbooks](#)

[Fieldwork Forms](#)

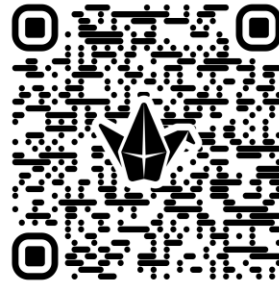
[Internship Guidelines & Resources \(MS, SS, & all Ed Specialist Programs\)](#)

[Other Forms & Petitions](#)

[Resources](#)



# T Cred Events this Year



## IEP Simulation

- Saturday in Spring
  - **April 10, 2027**
- Assignment in your course, EDSP 293 (Inclusive Strategies)
- On campus (and Zoom option for online programs: DHH, ESN, ECSE)

## Career Fairs

- Spring career fairs are usually Dec – March
- Sac State, and your local school districts
- Use our Sac State Career Center to support your job search!
- NEW! [CSUS EDSP Job board with resources](#)

## Multicultural Education Conference

- Saturday in Spring:
  - **February 27, 2027**
- Free to the community
- Hybrid Sessions



# Student Service Center

Lassen hall 1000, (916) 278-1000, [www.csus.edu/ssc/](http://www.csus.edu/ssc/)

*Financial Aid, Registration information, Records, Fees, OneCard, and Holds*



# Credential Program Costs: GENERAL

## 2026-2027 school year

Summer  
2026 Tuition

- Varies depending on pre-req courses & credential courses taken

Fall & Spring  
2026 Tuition

- Part time (6 units or less): \$3,711 per semester
- Full time (6.1 units or more): \$5,378 per semester

Additional  
Costs

- Textbook costs varies – we use OER as much as possible
- Taskstream (for e-portfolios, fieldwork evaluations, & edTPA/CalTPA submissions): \$50 per year OR \$139 for 7-year account (you need one for the duration of your program)

 Taskstream

by Watermark™

# Credential Program Costs: TESTS

## EdTPA

MMSN, ESN

**edTPA**

Initial  
Assessment  
Fee: \$300;  
Retakes: \$100  
per task

## CalTPA

ECSE, DHH



**CalTPA**  
California Teaching  
Performance Assessment

Cycle 1: \$150;  
Cycle 2: \$150

## SMR

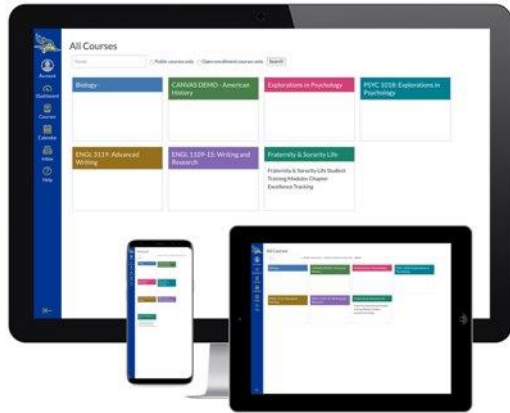
Subject Matter  
Requirement –  
DHH, ESN,  
MMSN

Student Success  
Center Advising:  
transcript,  
coursework, or  
CSET test

Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA) required for all teaching credentials.  
Candidates only need to take one TPA in their lifetime.

Basic Skills Requirement no longer  
required.

# Our Learning Platforms



## New to Canvas or Zoom?

### Get Started

#### Setup your Account

Canvas can be conveniently accessed and used on desktop/laptop, tablets/iPads, and mobile devices.

1. Visit [canvas.csus.edu](https://canvas.csus.edu) and login with your Sac State credentials or through [My Sac State](#).
2. Download the Canvas mobile app: [iOS](#) or [Android](#).
3. Review the Canvas Quick-Start Guide.

[Canvas Quick-Start Guide](#)

### Canvas & Zoom

Canvas also integrates with [Zoom](#) so you can attend virtual class sessions, or host study groups. A Sac State Zoom account isn't required to participate - you'll just need one of the following:

- Through the Zoom tool in Canvas
- You receive a Canvas notification/announcement
- Your instructor emails you a Zoom link.

[Participating in a Zoom Class Session](#)

# Tech Learning Resources

## Get IRT help

### Get Support

Need help? Connect with the IRT Service Desk Team:

[Open a Service Ticket](#)

[Online Chat](#)

[Click-to-call the IRT Service Desk Team](#)

[AIRC Building + IRT Service Desk Hours](#)

## Contact IRT

AIRC, 2nd floor, RM 2005

Phone: (916) 278-7337 \

Email: [servicedesk@csus.edu](mailto:servicedesk@csus.edu)

Website: [www.csus.edu/information-resources-technology/](http://www.csus.edu/information-resources-technology/)

## Download Free Software/Apps

Sac State students download for free:

Single Sign on security: Duo 2-step verification

Microsoft Office 365 (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.)

Zoom Desktop App

Panopto Video App

## Longterm Laptop checkout

### How to Request a Laptop

For new requests, fill out this form:

[Laptop Checkout Request Form](#)

When a new laptop request is confirmed, you'll receive an email to your Sac State account with instructions to come pick up your device.

### Returns

Laptops must be returned or assessed for reissue at the IRT Service Desk at the end of each semester (Fall, Spring, or Summer Session).



# Academic and Program Services

Teaching Credentials, College of Education

# Application & Monitoring



**Mercedes Hipolito**

Application & Monitoring  
Coordinator

[m.dawal@csus.edu](mailto:m.dawal@csus.edu)

- I am the point of contact during your application/admission process.
- I am working closely with OGS to get admissions processed. If you have yet to receive an official letter from the University, do not worry! This will not cause any restrictions for enrolling in Summer courses. :)
- I will be tracking credential requirements through your time in the program, such as;
  - Pre-Reqs
  - SMC
  - COC
  - Credential Course Grades

# Administrative Support

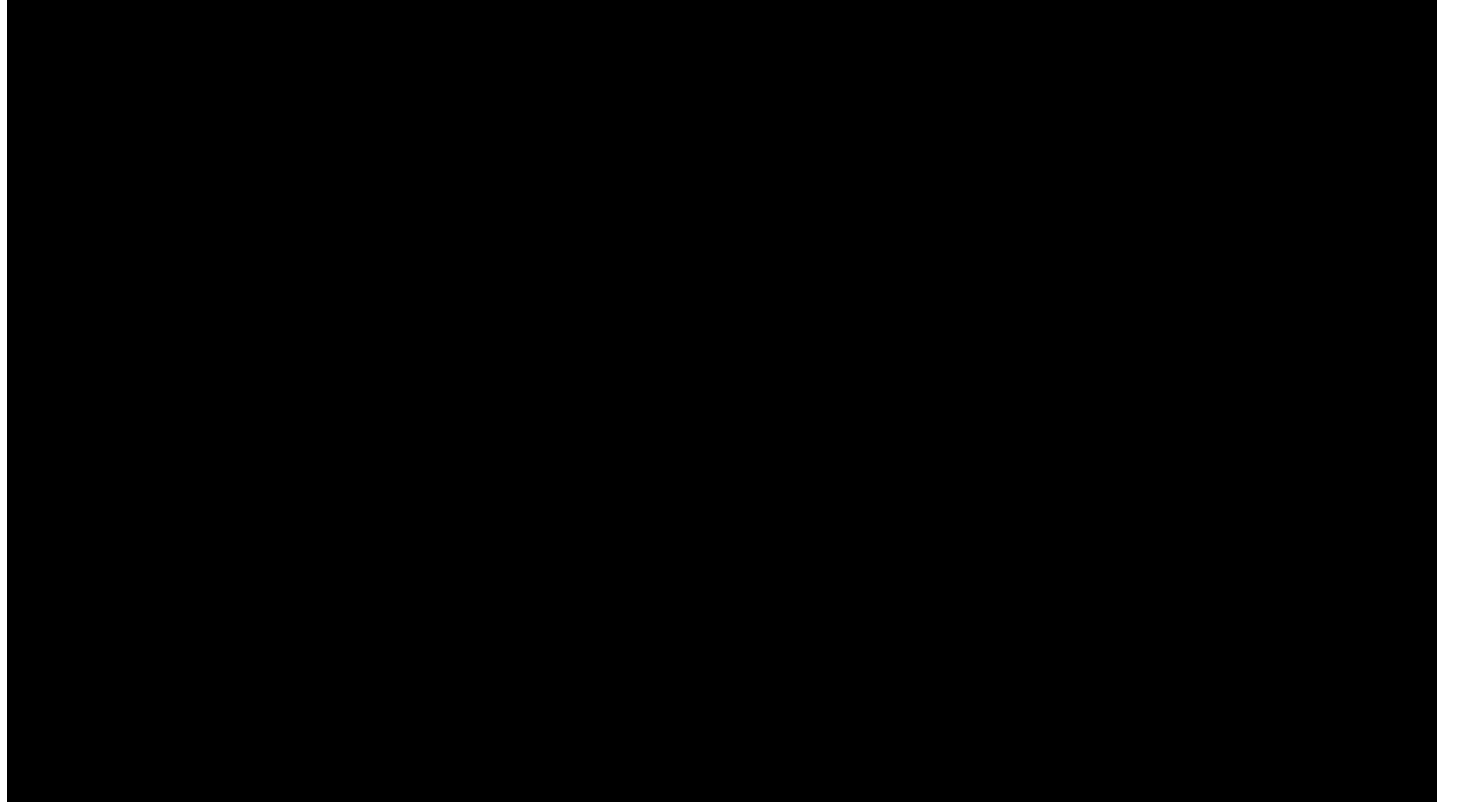


**Drew Hanzlik**

Reception &  
Field Placement Support

Eureka Hall 401

[coe-cred@csus.edu](mailto:coe-cred@csus.edu)



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# Canvas! T Cred Program Requirement Tracking

## F26 TCRED Requirements Monitoring

### Program Specific Requirements

- Credential File Review Emails (August & December)
- You **MUST** meet Subject Matter Competency (SMC) before going into final semester of student teaching (ECSE excluded)
- Clearances
  - Certificate of Clearance
  - District Clearance
    - At the district meet and greet, please talk to your district contact about what steps need to be fulfilled.
- Prerequisite Courses
- Bilingual Auth (Bil Auth) Canvas Course

# Canvas! T Cred Program Requirement Tracking

## F25 TCRED Requirements Monitoring

Certificate of Clearance Out of 0	District Clearance Out of 0	Subject Matter Competence Out of 0
✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✗
✓	✓	-

Possible ways to meet Multiple Subject Subtest III  
EDMS 317 (VAPA Workshop)  
&  
KINS 172 (PE Workshop)

██████, thank you for submitting your subtest I scores. Subject Matter Competency will remain incomplete until subtest II and subtest III have been satisfied.

- Andrew Hanzlik

# Registration & Taskstream Support



Linda Lugea

Course & Taskstream Registration  
[Llugea@csus.edu](mailto:Llugea@csus.edu)

## Course registration

- I email candidates detailed registration information with forms used to register
  - **May:** email about Summer registration
  - **Early June:** email about Fall registration
  - **Late November:** email about Spring registration
- All registration gets posted on our Current Student Website: [www.csus.edu/college/education/teaching-credentials/current-students.html](http://www.csus.edu/college/education/teaching-credentials/current-students.html) under **STEP 3: Registration**

## Taskstream account

- Candidates purchase Taskstream account by 1st week of Fall Semester; I add them to their program folder in Taskstream

# Placement Coordinator



Jennifer Clark

Field Placements  
coe-credp@csus.edu

- I pair credential students with available mentor teachers in area school districts and agencies, in cooperation with Program Coordinators and districts.
- Responsible for ensuring district confirmation of placements; and student district clearance.
- Placement notifications sent to students and mentors *after* district confirmation.
- The placement process begins in May and continues through the summer.

# Credential Analyst Office

Teaching Credentials, College of Education

# Grants T Cred & Internships



Elizabeth (Beth)  
Christian

[credentials@csus.edu](mailto:credentials@csus.edu)  
Eureka Hall room 414

- Email: [credentials@csus.edu](mailto:credentials@csus.edu)
- Phone: (916) 278-4567
- Financial Aid
  - We work with Financial Aid to verify if you qualify for Pell Grant, TEACH Grant, and Golden State Teacher Grant
- Internships
  - Once approved by faculty we can recommend you to the CTC for an Internship

# Grants T Cred & Internships



Jessa Jimenez-Estrada

[Credentials@csus.edu](mailto:Credentials@csus.edu)

- Teaching Credential
  - At the end of your credential program we will recommend you to the CTC for your credential
- Have Credential Questions
  - Going out of state
  - Going out country
  - Want to add to your credential
- Other Services

# Student Success Center

College of Education

# Educational Equity Program (Ed Eq)



Dr. Karina Figueroa-Ramírez  
Program Coordinator, Advisor  
Eureka Hall 437  
(916) 278-4324  
Figueroaramirez@csus.edu

- Academic advising for all TCRED programs
- Peer mentoring, meet with students already in our TCRED programs
- Advising and evaluations for the Spanish Bilingual Authorization
- Career options in education, exploring a major and selecting a major **Get the Facts Out is teaching for me?**
- Evals for the Hmong and Spanish Bilingual Authorizations
- Evals for Basic Skills Requirement (BSR)- might be required\*\* to substitute teach with 90 units
- Evals for Subject Matter Competency (SMC) in multiple subjects
- Referrals for candidates in need of further field work experiences
- **Assistance with financial support applications: visit our website for list**
- Peer Mentors available for CSET preparation and tutoring: edeq@csus.edu
- Assistance with the CSU Apply application
- Assistance for DACA and Undocu-status financial aid application

# College of Education Ed Equity Program

## Our Mission

To contribute to the region and state's public schools in recruiting, retaining, and graduating multilingual/multicultural exceptional teachers and educators.

## Operating Hours:

Monday-Friday 8am-6:30 p.m.

in person/zoom

Saturdays TBD

Office: EUR 437



## Our Services

Critically,  
culturally, &  
linguistically  
prepared teachers  
for high need  
schools

Academic  
(Developmental)  
Advising, Culturally  
Responsive

Financial  
Support  
opportunities

Field Work  
Experiences in  
PK-12

Future Teacher  
Clubs &  
Pathway  
Programs

TK-12 Teaching  
Credential Program  
and/or Bilingual  
Auth.

Peer  
Mentoring

Tutoring:  
CSETs, edTPA, &  
RICA

# Student Success Center



**Ashley Ciraulo-Stuart**

Student Success Center

Coordinator

[Aciraulo@csus.edu](mailto:Aciraulo@csus.edu)

- We can help with:
  - Options for meeting pre-requisite course requirements
  - Subject matter competency evaluations
  - Options for meeting subject matter competency through coursework

# Pre-Reqs Check-in

Submit Evidence in Canvas T Cred Course

- ✓ Subject Matter Requirement (not ECSE)
- ✓ COC

Good news: Basic Skills Requirement already met by a bachelors degree

- ✓ EDUC 100AB\*
- ✓ EDUC 170
- ✓ Other Course\* (ECSE: CHAD 30; MMSN: PUBH 136)

\*consult with your advisor to determine if you can take it during the credential year

# University-wide Student Resources

Sacramento State

# Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) is for you!

*ASI Food Pantry, KSSU, Safe Rides, and more!*



**Ryan Choi**

ASI Student Services Manager

[ryan.choi@csus.edu](mailto:ryan.choi@csus.edu)



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**CHILDREN'S CENTER**



**ASI Student Shop**



**ASI  
Student  
Government**

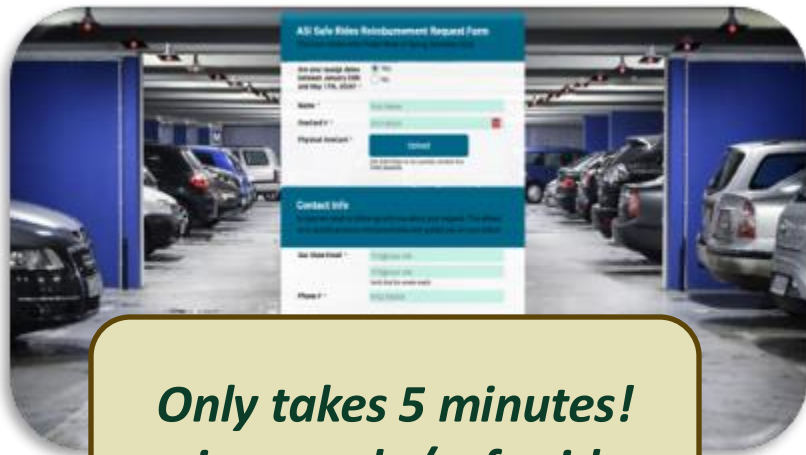
# We will help you find a local CSU/UC/CCC food resource.



We welcome all Sac State students. Open M-F, walk-in.  
University Union #1240  
[asi.csus.edu/asi-food-pantry](http://asi.csus.edu/asi-food-pantry)



*Sacramento State*  
**SAFE RIDES**  
a program of Associated Students, Inc.



*Only takes 5 minutes!*  
[asi.csus.edu/safe-rides](http://asi.csus.edu/safe-rides)

## ASI program to reduce student DUI incidents & encourage safe transit.

- Originally a late-night booking service near campus, volunteer-based.
- Now \$100 available per student/year.
- Only open during Fall/Spring semester.
- Upload receipts, show proof of payment and OneCard.
- Receive a check 3-4 weeks later!

# Disability Access Center (DAC)

## DAC Website

Submit a request for  
accommodations via  
the Student Portal

## DAC Mission

**Who we serve:** The Disability Access Center (DAC) serves any enrolled student who meets the standard of a qualified individual with a disability (QID), regardless of whether temporarily or permanently disabled.

**What we do:** DAC ensures that qualified students with disabilities receive appropriate accommodations at Sac State. Examples of accommodations include:

- Classroom Accommodations
- Testing Accommodations
- Housing Accommodations

**Our Mission:** In alignment with the University's commitment to inclusivity and guided by applicable policies and legal regulations, The Disability Access Center (DAC) provides a comprehensive range of access services that facilitate equal educational opportunity for students with disabilities.

**Our Vision:** To equip our students with tools that foster positive disability identity, independence, and self-advocacy that prepare them for meaningful, productive lives.

**Our Philosophy:** DAC views disability as a positive identity that has been marginalized by ableist ideology. As such, disabled individuals are entitled to civil rights just as any marginalized identity. Civil rights, disability rights, and disability justice movements were led by disabled individuals, making possible the passing of the regulations for Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the ADA Amendment Act.

# CARES Team

(Crisis Assistance & Resource  
Education Support)



[Link to audio with CC](#)

**University Union, 1st  
Floor, Room 1260**

**Call: 916-278-5138**

**Email: [cares@csus.edu](mailto:cares@csus.edu)**

## Help is just a phone call or email away!

The Sacramento State CARES office provides support to students who are in crisis or experiencing unique challenges to their education. We coordinate referrals to campus and community resources and offer follow-up support to address a variety of issues including, but not limited to:

- Transportation Barriers
- Mental Health & Wellness
- Physical Health & Wellness

## Learn More

Visit [CARES's website](#)

Any faculty can also put you in touch with the CARES team.

# You are now **eligible to join.**

Offering products and services tailored to the unique needs of school employees:



## **Summer Saver**

Earns higher dividends and helps you save for the summer months when you may not receive a paycheck, or for any time.



## **School Employee Auto Loan with “Summers Off”<sup>1</sup>**

Low rates and the convenience of skipping two payments during the summer months.<sup>1</sup>

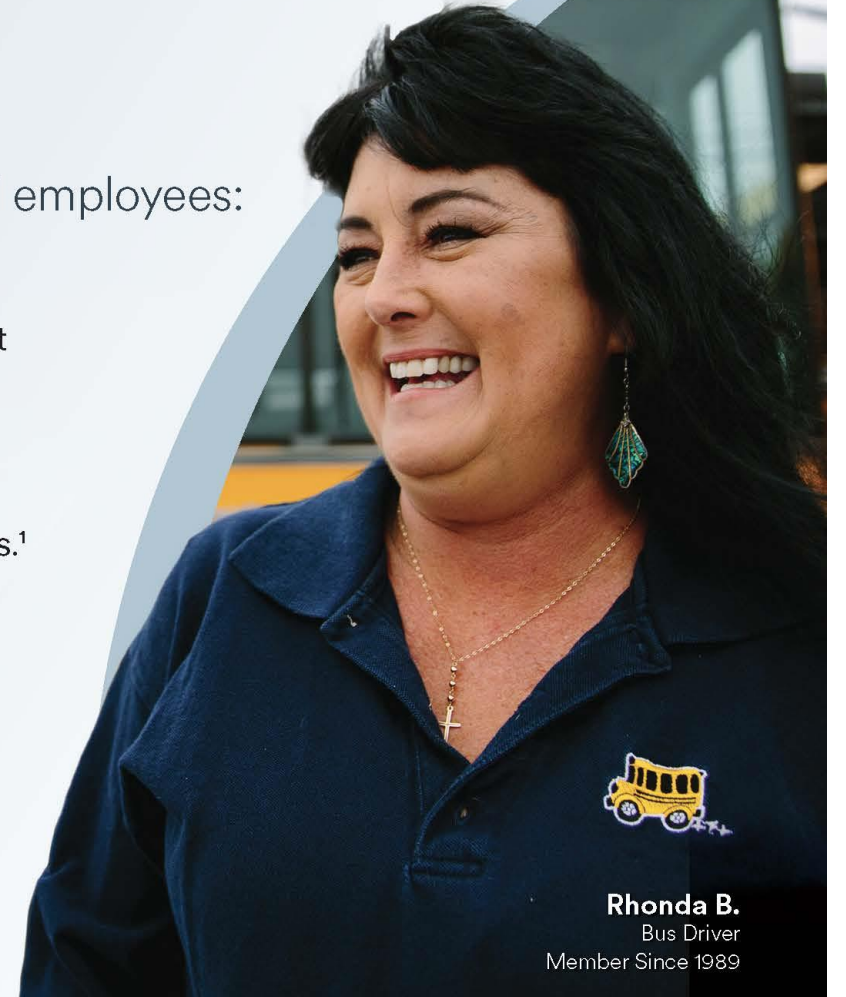


## **School Employee Credit Card**

Low, variable rate on purchases and 1.5% cash back into your Summer Saver.<sup>2</sup>



**Scan the code to join today.**



**Rhonda B.**  
Bus Driver  
Member Since 1989

Insured by NCUA.

All loans subject to approval. Eligibility for Membership subject to verification and ChexSystems review. **1.** Available on select terms. Restrictions apply. Interest will continue to accrue during the skip payment period. **2.** Earn 1.5% cash back on qualifying purchases. Cash advances, balance transfers, and returns are not eligible for cash back. Deposits will be made quarterly to Summer Saver. If Summer Saver maximum contribution limits have been reached, or if no Summer Saver share is open, deposit will be placed in Member's Primary Share 01 (Savings). Account must be open, current and in good standing.

# Ed Specialist Credential Programs

Sacramento State

# 3 Handbooks

Scan and download your program handbook  
(updated every year, available by August 15)

Teaching Credentials: Current Student  
website



Teaching  
Credentials  
Policies and  
Procedures

Your Program's  
Handbook  
(ECSE, DHH,  
ESN or MMSN)

MAT-EDSP  
handbook

# Who is my program advisor?

## Deaf & Hard of Hearing (DHH)

Program & Field Coordinator



Dr. Kovina Miller

## Mild/Moderate Support Needs

Program & Field Coordinator



Dr. Mei Shen

## Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE)

Program & Field Coordinator



Dr. Cindy Collado

## Extensive Support Needs (ESN)

Program & Field Coordinator



Dr. Kathy Gee

## Master of Arts in Teaching – Ed Specialist (MAT-EDSP)

Graduate/Program Coordinator



Dr. Jean Gonsier-Gerdin

# Program Requirements

*NOTE: If you're earning your Preliminary Credential then you'll work on clearing your credential in your first 2 – 3 years of teaching, which is called Induction.*

Have you completed everything to earn your credential?

- ✓ Pre-req courses and requirements
- ✓ Program coursework
- ✓ Program fieldwork
- ✓ Assessments
- ✓ Individual Development Plan (IDP)
- ✓ Credential Analyst tasks

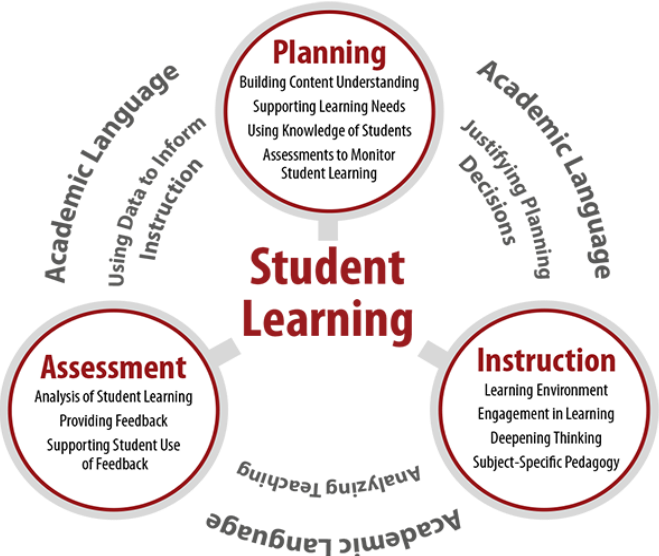
Then you'll be recommended for your teaching credential by our credential analyst to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC), you'll pay your credential fee, and then you'll receive notification you have earned your credential (they no longer mail a paper credential) and can find your name added to the CTC website list of teachers.

# Assessments



## Subject Matter Requirements (SMR)

Note: not required for ECSE



## edTPA or CalTPA

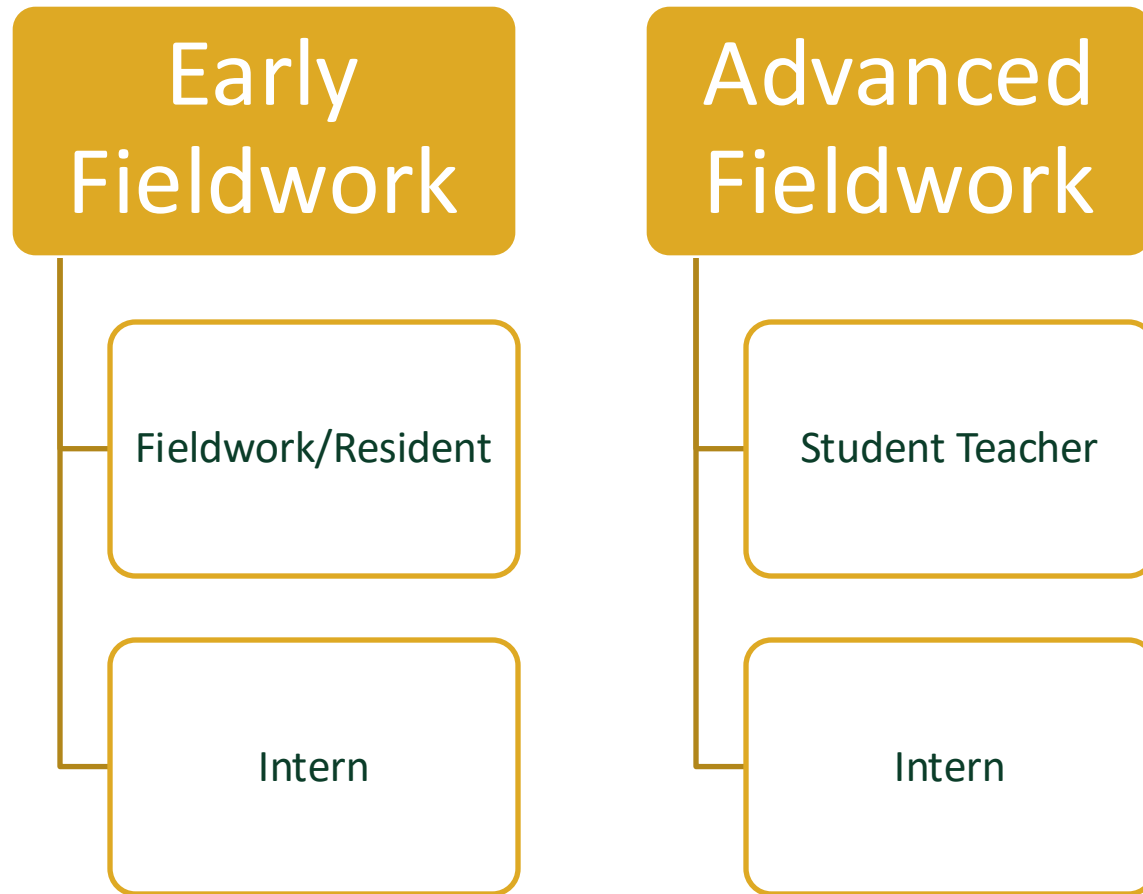
Performance Assessment submitted for outside review of a teaching segment and your reflection.



## Taskstream Ongoing Portfolios

Signature assignments, fieldwork evaluations, Individual Development Plan (IDP)

# Fieldwork Experiences



## Internship Guidelines & Resources (MS, SS, & all Ed Specialist Programs)

Please review the Multiple and Single Subject Programs' Internship Guidelines PDF below for more information, once admitted to our credential program.

- [Internship Guidelines PDF](#)

[LINK: T Cred Current Students website: Intern Guidelines](#)

# What if I'm Struggling?

## Reach out

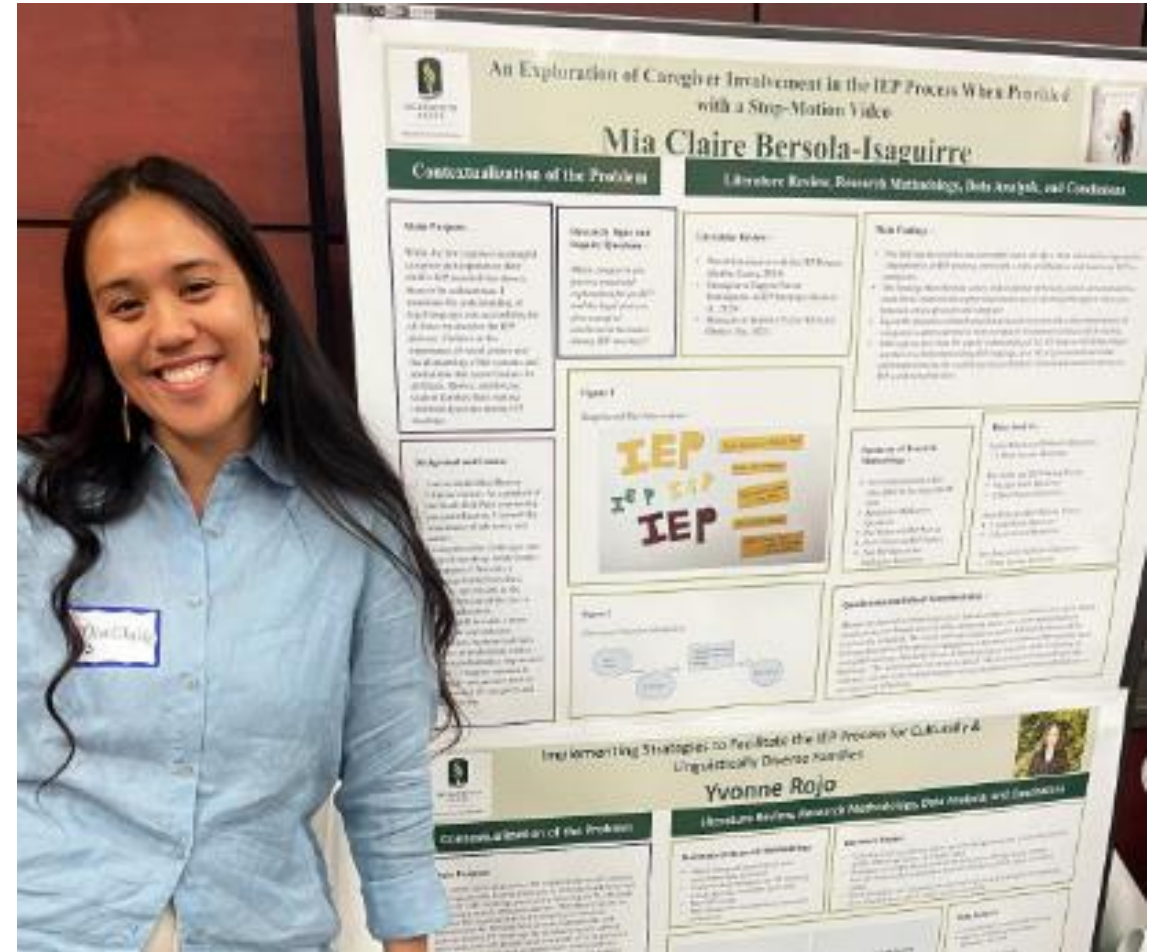
- To the person directly connected to the experience (instructor, mentor, supervisor)
- Connect with your program advisor for support
- If need further support, then reach out to department chair

## Program Support

- Statement of Concern with Action Plan (for fieldwork or coursework)
- Course Incomplete
- Credentials appeal

# Master of Arts in Teaching—Education Specialist – (MAT-EDSP)

- All preliminary credential candidates have the option to apply to the MAT-Education Specialist in their final year of the credential (application due March 1, 2027).
- 15 units of coursework in your credential program can count toward the 30 units required for the MAT-EDSP (must have grade of B- or better to be accepted).
- Your MAT-EDSP course sequence begins summer after completion of your teaching credential coursework and student teaching/internship (or you can take leave of absence and start a year later).
- Culminating experience for MAT-EDSP is an action research project – learn to research within your own classroom/program's practices, processes, or experiences.



Questions—Contact Dr. Gonsier-Gerdin  
([jgonsiergerdin@csus.edu](mailto:jgonsiergerdin@csus.edu))

Mia Claire Bersola-Isaguirre,  
MAT-EDSP 2024

Ed Specialist Program Welcome

Breakout Rooms