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SACRAMENTO STATE
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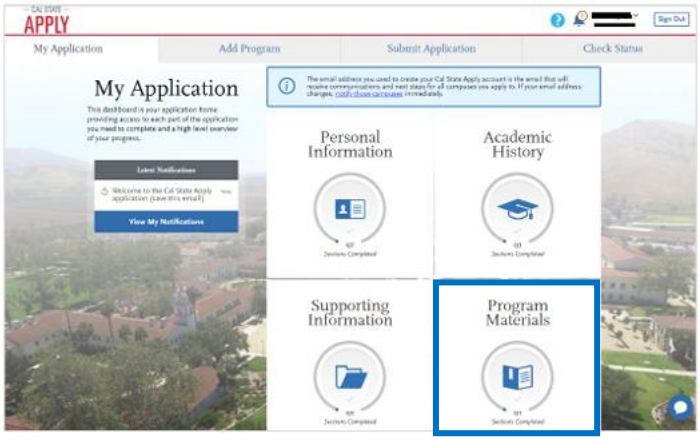
Application Instructions: MASET

Master of Arts in Special Education Teaching (MASET)

Please Read all instructions carefully and thoroughly BEFORE completing the application via **Cal State Apply**. Applicants must submit ALL of the documents described below by the deadline to be considered for readmission to the University.

Overview of the Application Process:

1. Complete the online application via **Cal State Apply**.. Instructions and FAQs are available on the Office of Graduate Studies website **HERE**.
2. Review the information below that will be asked of you in the Program Materials section of Cal State Apply.



Final Submission Deadline:

March 1, 2027

Revised: 11.16.2026

Applying to a MASET Program

Admission Requirements

To be considered for admission to a Master of Arts in Teaching / Master of Arts in Special Education Teaching, applicants must meet the minimum qualifications:

1. Completion of a preliminary teaching credential in the corresponding concentration within the last 7 years.
2. Meet the Grade Requirement for the MASET Degree
3. Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.0 in last 60 semester or 90 quarter units as evidenced from official transcripts from every college/university attended.
4. To successfully complete this program, students must actively serve as the designated teacher of record in a classroom and/or resource center setting during the research phase. This requirement ensures the practical application and direct implementation of learned concepts in a real-world educational environment.

Admission Procedures

Before completing the *Program Materials* section of Cal State Apply, you must review the information below.

Applicants must answer the following questions.

- Please confirm your intention to apply to the Master's program.
    - Yes
    - No, (Please exit out of the application and select the program you wish to apply)
- Sacramento State Student ID#
- What is the Semester and Year you were last enrolled at Sacramento State? (ex. Spring 2027)
- Current District and Teaching Position.
  Note: If you are a current credential Student, please indicate the districts that you are considering applying for a teaching position upon completion of your coursework.

Applicants must submit documents below.

A. TEACHING CREDENTIAL: Submit evidence of current Preliminary Credential OR Evidence of status as a current Sacramento State Credential Student (screenshot of current semester course schedule)
B. ESSAY: Prompt is provided below
C. UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS: One set of unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, other than Sacramento State Evidence of current Preliminary Credential

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A. TEACHING CREDENTIAL:

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SUBMISSION: Upload verification as described above

B. ESSAY:

Write a 500–750 word personal statement that articulates your teaching philosophy and outlines your goals for continued professional growth as a socially just and equitable educator. Reflect on an aspect of your teaching practice that you would like to strengthen or improve, explaining why this area is important to your professional development. Discuss how your growth in this area could positively impact student learning, promote equity and inclusion, and contribute to a supportive and socially just school community. Include in-text citations as evidence to support your ideas. In-text citations must follow the formatting guidelines in the 7th Edition of the APA Publication Manual.

SUBMISSION: Upload essay as described above.

C. UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS:

One set of unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, other than Sacramento State.

SUBMISSION: Submit **one set** of ALL unofficial transcripts.
