Welcome to CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES
Welcome to:

California State University Los Angeles
Charter College of Education
Division of Special Education & Counseling
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Today’s Agenda

1. Pick up Packet & Admission Sheet
2. Credential Categories
3. Admission to Cal State LA
4. Admission to the Credential Program
   a. Conditional
   b. Formal
5. Preliminary and Clear Credentials
6. Intern Opportunities
7. Assignment to an Academic Adviser
Division of Special Education & Counseling

Credential Programs

Masters Programs

Doctoral Program (Ph.D.)
Undergraduate Blended Majors

- ALL Blended Major Special Education students meet with Dr. Margaret Clark as their credential advisor (Urban Learning, Dr. Clark mclark@calstatela.edu will be your major advisor also)
- Start credential courses with EDSP 300 in junior year.
- Contact Dr. Clark ASAP to assure you are taking the correct courses and in an appropriate order
- In addition to a program plan for the BA degree, you will need a credential program plan written with Dr. Clark during EDSP 300
Special Education Credentials at CSULA

Education Specialist Credentials
- Mild/Moderate Disabilities
- Moderate/Severe Disabilities
- Physical & Health Impairments
- Early Childhood Special Education
- Visual Impairments
- Orientation & Mobility

Clinical Rehabilitative Services Credential
Educational Specialist Credential: Early Childhood Special Education

- Populations Served: All, except solely Visually impaired, Deaf or Physically Disabled
- Ages Served
  - Birth - 3 years- Early Intervention
  - Birth - 3 years- Early Intervention
  - Preschool
  - Headstart
  - Center-Based
  - Community-Based
  - Home
- Settings
  - School District
  - Private Agency
  - Community-Based
  - Center-Based
  - Home
  - Headstart
  - Preschool
Educational Specialist Credential:
Mild/Moderate Disabilities

Populations Served
- Mild/Moderate Mental Retardation
- Learning Disabilities
- Emotional Disturbance
- Autism

Ages Served
- K-12 & adults

Settings
- Special Education Classroom
- Inclusive Classrooms
- Non-Public School
- Resource Specialists
Educational Specialist Credential:

Mild/Moderate Disabilities

**Populations Served**

- Moderate/Severe Mental Retardation
- Deaf-Blindness & Multiple Disabilities
- Severe Emotional Disturbance
- Autism

**Ages Served**

- K-12 & adults

**Settings**

- Special Education Classroom
- Inclusive Classrooms
- Non-Public School
- Resource Specialists

**Inclusive Classrooms**

Moderate/Severe Disabilities

Moderate/Severe Mental Retardation

Severe Emotional Disturbance

Autism

Deaf-Blindness & Multiple Disabilities
Educational Specialist Credential:
Physical & Health Impairments

**Populations Served**
- Orthopedic Impairments
- Multiple Disabilities
- Other Health Impairments
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Autism

**Ages Served**
- Birth - 12th grade & Adults

**Settings**
- General Education Classrooms
- Resource Specialists
- Itinerant
- Special Education Classrooms
- Special School
- Home/Hospital
Educational Specialist Credential: Visual Impairments

- Populations Served
  - Blindness
  - Deaf-Blindness
  - Autism
  - Visual Impairments

- Ages Served
  - Birth - Age 22

- Settings
  - Special Education Classroom
  - Special/State School
  - Private Agency
  - Itinerant
Clinical Rehabilitative Services Credential
Orientation & Mobility

Populations Served
- Blindness
- Deaf-Blindness
- Visual Impairments

Ages Served
- All Ages

Settings
- Rehabilitation Agency
- Public/State School
- Private Agency
- Itinerant
Testing Requirements

- CBEST
  - scores are good for life

- CSET
  - scores good for 5 years – not required for Early Childhood or Orientation & Mobility

- RICA
  - scores good for 5 years - not required for Early Childhood or Orientation & Mobility
Preliminary Credential Requirements
*Sequence for Early Childhood Special Education & Orientation & Mobility varies

- Methods in General Education
- Core Special Education Requirements
- Early Practicum Requirement - Saturday Learning Center
- Specialization courses
- Final Practicum
- RICA
- Apply for credential no later than 5th week of final quarter
Professional Clear Requirements

- 5 years to complete
- Individualized Program: *Developed to benefit your teaching assignment*
- University Option (max 18 qtr units)
  - EDSP 595A/B Induction Planning
  - Added Authorizations
  - Lead to MA Degree
  - Advanced Specialization
  - Autism Certificate
  - Other as appropriate
Length of Preliminary Program

- All programs are different but generally:
  - Full Time enrollment (2-3 classes per quarter) = Total of 6 quarters
  - Part Time enrollment (1-2 classes per quarter) = Total of 8 quarters or more
Class Hours of Program

- Classes are usually held
  Monday - Thursday from 4:20 – 7:55

- Few courses are offered on Friday and the Learning Center is offered on Saturdays

- Some classes are offered online or combination in-person and online
Admission Information

2 Step Process...
Application Deadlines

- Please refer to the posted University Admission deadlines at [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)
Admissions to CSULA

Apply to CSULA at:
www.csumentor.edu

- Transcripts
- $55
- GPA: 2.5
Credential Program Application

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- One-page application
- Credential Control Card
- Technology Proficiency Statement
- Philosophy of Education
  - should be double-spaced & should not exceed two pages
  - will be evaluated for grammar & content
- Letters of Recommendation (2 are required)
- TB test
- Official Transcripts (from all universities/colleges attended except CSULA)
- Valid Certificate of Clearance
Credential Program Application
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- Attempt of CBEST or passage of alternative Basic Skills Requirement.

- Verification of completion of subject matter competency. (students enrolled in an undergraduate blended program do not need to provide verification for admission). ***Not required of Early Childhood Special Education.
Non-Restricted Courses

- EDSP 400
- EDSP 408
- EDSP 413
- EDSP 481
- ESDP 412
- EDEL 490 (CSET prep classes)
- Math 110
- Comm 150/151
- Pol Sci 150
- Univ 400
Credential Program: Formal Admission

- Complete EDSP 300 (completion of subject matter must be verified prior to enrollment in EDSP 300)
- Program Plan and Oral Interview
- Interview with Teaching Credential Admission Committee, if applicable
- Speech Proficiency
- Writing Proficiency
EDSP 300
Program Plan & Interview

Things to bring to your Advisor

- Transcripts (unofficial)
  - U.S. Constitution requirement
  - Speech requirement
  - Catalog description(s) of possible equivalent course(s)

- Copy of Philosophy of Education
- Copies of 2 recommendation letters
- Copies of CBEST
Intern Credential Option

REQUIREMENTS

- BA/BS degree
- Completion of Constitution and Speech
- CBEST
- Job offer for a special education teaching position
- Subject Matter Competency
- Complete the Intern pre-requisite core of classes:
  EDSP 300 & EDSP 400
Intern Pre-Requisite
Core of Classes

- **Preliminary or Clear Credential in General Education**
  
  OR

- **8 units of “Survival Pedagogy” coursework**
  - Mild/Mod; Mod/Severe; PHI; VI
  - EDSP 300 & EDSP 400
To apply for the Intern program or for further information

Contact:

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Financial Aid

FAFSA — Free Application for Student Financial Aid
http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/

Assumption Program of Loans for Education (APLE) - the program assumes up to $19,000 in outstanding educational loan balances in return for four consecutive years of qualifying teaching service.
Frequently Asked Questions...

- **Can I Earn a Multiple or Single Subjects Credential at the same time?**
  - Complete a separate program plan for each credential
  - Re-apply to the credential program in your new credential category
How Can I Earn ELL/CLAD or BCLAD Certification?
- For EL Authorization, requirements are embedded in the credential
- For BCLAD, take state examinations

If I Want to be a Resource Specialist, What Do I Do?
- The competencies for the Resource Specialist are now infused in the Educational Specialist Credentials
Master of Arts, Degree Option In:

- Early Childhood Special Education
- Autism
- Mild/Moderate Disabilities
- Moderate/Severe Disabilities
- Multicultural/Multilingual Special Ed
- Orientation & Mobility
- Physical & Health Disabilities
- Visual Impairments & Blindness
1 – Have your advisor assigned
2 – Individual Questions

Good Luck with your credential program. We are here to assist you, so please don’t hesitate to contact us with questions and/or concerns!

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