

**PROGRAM OF STUDY**  
**Education Specialist Credential in Moderate/Severe Disabilities**  
**LEVEL 1**  
**SPRING 3-SEMESTER PROGRAM**

After completion of the Level I credential, candidates are eligible to take teaching positions. Following employment as a special education teacher, candidates have 5 years to complete the Level II Professional Credential

<b>Prerequisites*</b> <b>16 units</b>		<b>Semester 2</b> <b>9 units + practicum</b>
SPED 500 (Human Exceptionality) – 3 units		SPED 635 (Assess in ECSE & M/S) – 3 units
SPED 501** (Typical & Atypical Learning Processes) – 3 units		SPED 647 (SPED Adaptations of Basic Skills Instruction) – 3 units
SPED 502 (Field Experiences in General and Special Education) – 1 unit	<b>Semester 1</b> <b>12 units + practicum</b>	TE 930** (Teaching Reading & Language Arts) - 3 units
SPED 525 (Char. & Ed. M/S)*** – 3 units	SPED 505 (Educational Services for Students with SED) – 1 unit	SPED 970B (Practicum in General & SPED) <i>Take RICA exam 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in December</i>
SPED 527# (SPED in a Pluralistic Society) – 3 units	SPED 510 (Adapting Comm. Sys. for Students with Severe Disabilities) - 1 unit	<b>Semester 3</b> <b>9 units + practicum</b>
PLC 915C# (Teaching and Learning in the Content Area: English Language Development/SDAIE) – 3 units	SPED 526 (Char. & Ed. Phys., Health, Sensory Impairments) – 3 units	SPED 560 (Applications of Technology for Individuals with Disabilities) – 3 units
	SPED 530 (Issues in Autism) – 3 units	SPED 570 (Individualized Special Education Program Plans) – 1 unit
	SPED 553 (Behavioral Strategies and Supports of Students with Disabilities) – 3 units	SPED 645 (Issues In Curriculum & Instruction for Students with Severe Handicaps) – 3 units
	SPED 662 (Communication and Collaboration in SPED) – 1 unit	TE 910A ** (Teaching Math Elementary) - 2 units
	SPED 970B (Practicum in General & SPED)	SPED 980B (Advanced Practicum)

- \* For admission, students must meet additional criteria, including subject matter competence, by passing CSET: Multiple Subjects (all three subtests) or CSET: Single Subject (Math, English, Social Studies or Science only). Admission to the Internship Program may require you to pass CSET: Multiple Subjects.
  - \* Courses in this column are available to upper division undergraduate students.
  - \*\* Not required for candidates who possess a Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential. Individuals who acquired their Multiple Subjects Credential as an added authorization to an existing Single Subject or other California teaching credential **are required** to take these classes or submit substitution forms proving course of a similar content was successfully completed at another institution.
  - \*\*\* Because it will not be offered in Summer, students planning to be admitted to the program in Spring, must take SPED 525 in the Fall.
  - # Not required for candidates who possess a Multiple or Single Subjects credential inclusive of CLAD or EL authorization.
- Note:** Candidates for the Level I credential must demonstrate knowledge of principles and provisions of U.S. Constitution through successful completion of a 3-unit college level course or examination. For further clarification contact the Credentials Office at 594-6320.

Petitions to Substitute or Waive course(s) must be turned in the semester prior to being admitted to the credential program.