

**PROGRAM OF STUDY**  
**Education Specialist Credential in Moderate/Severe Disabilities**  
**LEVEL I**

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.

Level I, Prerequisites* 16 units	Level I, Semester 1 15 units	Level I, Semester 2 12 units
SPED 500 (Human Exceptionality) – 3 units	SPED 505 (Educational Services for Students with SED) – 1 unit	SPED 510 (Adapting Comm. Sys. for Students with Severe Disabilities.) – 1 unit
SPED 501** (Typical & Atypical Learning Processes) – 3 units	SPED 553 (Behavioral Strategies and Supports for Students with Disabilities) – 3 units	SPED 526 (Char. & Ed. Phys., Health, Sensory Impairments) – 3 units
SPED 502** (Field Experiences in General and Special Education) – 1 unit	SPED 635 (Assessment in ECSE & M/S) – 3 units	SPED 560 (Applications of Technology for Individuals with Disabilities) – 3 units
SPED 525 (Characteristics of Students with Moderate/Severe Disabilities)*** – 3 units	SPED 647 (SPED Adaptations of Basic Skills Instruction) – 3 units	SPED 570 (Individualized Special Education Program Plans) – 1 unit
SPED 527 (SPED in a Pluralistic Society) – 3 units	TE 910A** (Teaching Math Elementary) – 2 units	SPED 645 (Issues In Curr. & Instr. for Students with Severe Handicaps) – 3 units
PLC 915C (Teaching and Learning in the Content Area: English Language Development/SDAIE) – 3 units	TE 930** (Teaching Reading & Language Arts – 1 <sup>st</sup> half) – 3 units	SPED 662 (Communication and Collaboration in SPED) – 1 unit
	SPED 970B (Practicum in General & SPED)	SPED 980B (Adv. 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 Subject Teaching Credential. Individuals who acquired their Multiple Subject Credential as an added authorization to an existing Single Subjects 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 admitted to the program in Fall must take SPED 525 concurrently with Semester I courses.

**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.