

Liberal Studies/ITEP Information Session



Which pathway are you planning to pursue?

Student Ambassadors Introductions



**COLLEGE OF
EDUCATION**

Have questions about the transfer process?

First, visit your community college counselors! They may be able to answer your questions about transfer requirements at your school.

Second, you can make an appointment with a CSULB Student Ambassador at <https://bit.ly/csulbsams>

Glossary

POST BAC - Referred to as a program that is after completion of BA degree.

BA Pathway - Referred to as pursuing a Liberal Studies BA only degree from CSULB.

ITEP pathway - Integrated Teacher Education Pathway that combines both a teaching credential and BA degree, all in one when you graduate from CSULB.

MSCP- Multiple Subject Credential Program. Required to teach elementary school.

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What is Liberal Studies?

Liberal Studies is the 'Elementary Teacher Education' Major at CSULB and is home to students who wish to pursue one of two undergraduate program pathways:

- **Liberal Studies (BA)**
- **Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP)**

We pride ourselves in offering rigorous coursework with committed faculty, early clinical experiences in local school districts, and hands-on advising that begins even before you arrive to campus.

Liberal Studies- Requirements to Transfer

- **Written Communication** – ENGL 100B, ASAM 100B, AFRS 100B, CHLS 104B
- **Oral Communication** – COMM 130 (Recommended)
- **English Literature** – CWL 100, ENGL 180, ENGL 250A/B, ENGL 270A/B
- **Mathematics** - MTED 110 (Recommended)
- **Critical Thinking** - Various Course Options
- **Early U.S. History** – HIST 172
- **Political Science** – POSC 100

Minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.6

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2. BA/ITEP

- Concentrations
- How to Apply for the ITEP Program
- ITEP Pathways

BA Only vs. ITEP

Bachelor's (BA) Only

The BA Pathway is our traditional teacher education program where students complete their Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies and then after graduation, may choose to apply as a post-bac to complete their teaching credential either at CSULB or at another university if desired.

ITEP

The ITEP Pathway is for students who wish to earn their teaching credential concurrently with their Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies as an undergraduate. Apply to credential program in junior year while at CSULB. Credential is embedded into Senior Year.

Liberal Studies Core Requirements-Both BA and ITEP

LANGUAGE ARTS

7 classes, which includes:
literature, communications,
and composition

MATHEMATICS

4 classes, which includes:
real numbers and probability
& statistics.

NATURAL SCIENCES

4 classes, which include: earth,
life, and physical science.

HISTORY & SOCIAL SCIENCES

6 classes, which includes:
American and California
history.

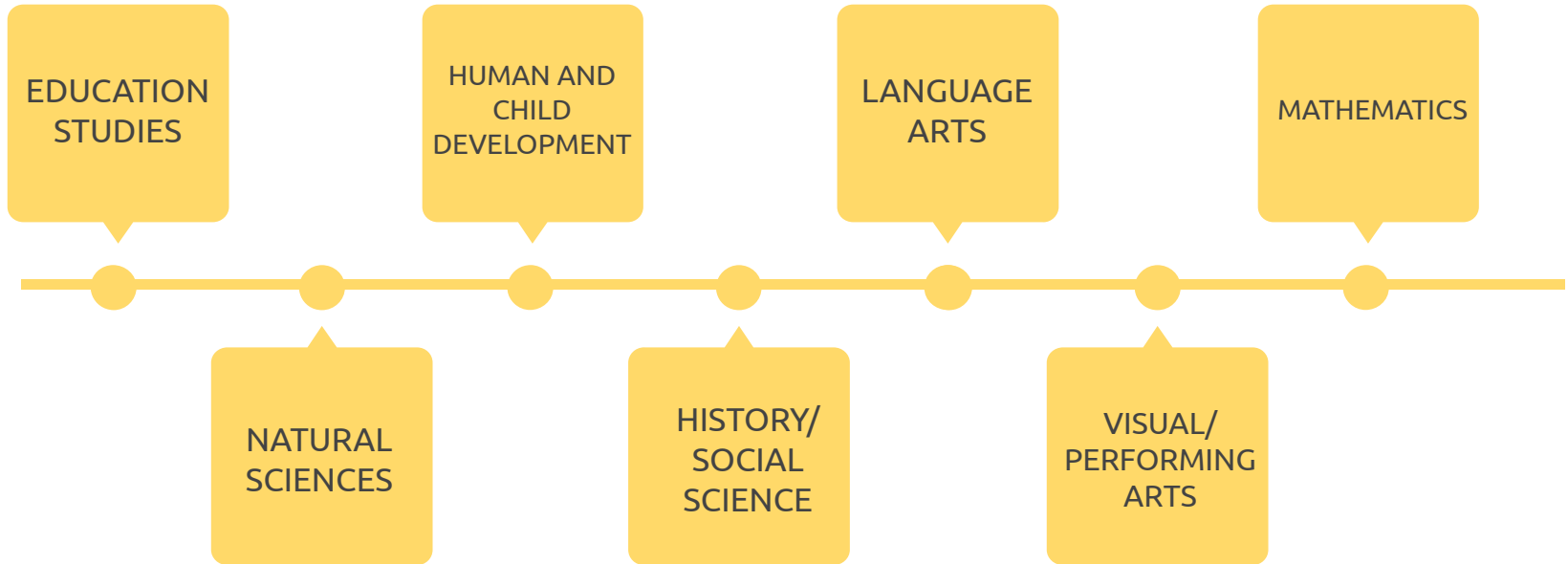
ARTS & HUMANITIES

5 classes, which includes:
music, dance & theatre, and
visual art.

CRITICAL ISSUES IN TEACHING AND LEARNING

8 classes which include
health science and
kinesiology.

BA Only Concentrations



Liberal Studies

ITEP Pathways



ITEP MSCP

Students on this pathway earn their BA and Multiple Subject Credential as an undergraduate.

ITEP MSCP UTEACH

Students will earn their BA and Multiple Subject Credential in a cohorted group as an undergraduate that begins in the Fall term only.

ITEP MSCP BILA

Students on this pathway earn the BA and Multiple Subject Credential as an undergraduate, along with an authorization to teach in a dual immersion classroom.

ITEP UDCP

Students on this pathway earn their BA, Multiple Subject, and Special Education Credential in a cohorted, fast-track program as an undergraduate.

ITEP DUAL

Students on this pathway earn their BA, Multiple Subject, and Special Education Credential in their entirety at the student's own pace as an undergraduate

Quick Comparison for Each Pathway

Bachelor's (BA) Only

- BA is required to substitute teach at public elementary schools.
- Credential is considered post-bac, and districts may pay you more depending on units. Each school district is different.

ITEP

- No need to re-apply to CSULB. Maintain registration date as a continuing student.
- Students pay undergraduate fees compared to post-bac.

Re-Applying to CSULB as a Post-Bac Student with a BA in Liberal Studies

FIRST

Complete and submit your CSU
Apply application

Due: June 1st for Fall admission
November 1st for Spring admission

Basic Skills Requirement not
necessary for this application.

SECOND

Complete your program admission packet:

- 2.67 GPA for all coursework or 2.75 GPA in last 60 units
- Interview
- 1-2 letters of recommendation
- Personal Statement
- Certificate of Clearance
- Negative TB test within the last 4 years
- Basic Skills Requirement met (CBEST, SAT/ACT or coursework.)
- Other requirements based on specific credential program

* Credential pre/co-requisite courses are embedded in Liberal Studies BA program.

HOW TO APPLY TO ITEP Programs



1. Submission of a complete application packet prior to the appropriate deadline for Fall or Spring. Done in junior year.
2. G.P.A. of at least 2.75 for the last 60 semester or 90 quarter units, or 2.67 overall
3. Completion and passage of oral interview with program faculty.
4. Verification of Basic Skills Requirement
5. Valid Certificate of Clearance and current TB test verification.
6. Successful completion of prerequisite course EDEL 200 with a B or better.
7. For BILA - must complete CSET in Spanish before beginning student teaching.

* MSCP application is submitted internally to the Teacher Preparation Advising Center

CALIFORNIA BASIC EDUCATIONAL SKILLS TEST (CBEST)



It is a way to meet the CA Basic Skills Requirement (one of 8 ways)

- Other ways to satisfy it: SAT, ACT, AP scores, Coursework (NEW!)

3 sections: Reading, Mathematics and writing section with 2 essays. Can take each section separately or take them together

- Who takes it:
 - Applying to a teaching credential program
 - Seeking employment in CA school district
 - Applying for the issue or renewal of an Emergency Permit
- Need Basic Skills Requirement when applying to the credential program.
 - For transfers pursuing ITEP- typically in your second semester.
 - The Teacher Preparation Advising Center offers a free online CBEST preparation course and practice opportunities
- Cost: \$41 paper test and \$101 computer-based test

Brain Break!

Let's see if you were paying attention :)

True or False Padlet!

PROS for each pathway

ITEP

- Receive Credential or credentials as an undergraduate.
- Pay undergraduate tuition for credential.
- Don't have to re-apply to CSULB for credential.

BA

- Can come back as a Post Bac student.
- Post BAC units can potentially affect salary.
- Substitute teaching is an option for BA pathway students only prior to receiving credential.

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3. What to expect towards the end of your program

- Studying Teaching
- Substitute teaching
- Applying for jobs

Student Teaching

Applying to Student Teaching

- Student will apply to Student Teaching their last semester of the credential program.
- Students will be placed at a school

Student Teaching

- Students will be placed at one school with one grade level
- Students will attend school on the school's schedule

CAL TPA

- Student Teaching will prepare you to take the CAL TPA. There are two cycles. Each cycle is 150 dollars.

Substitute teaching

Substitute teaching is an option for BA pathway students only. Look into applying for your 30 day sub permit.

30 day Permit

- Students can get a 30 day permit to substitute.
- Show proof of degree.
- Satisfy the Basic Educational Skills Test(CBEST)
- Fill out the application
- Fingerprint

Applying for jobs

EDJoin

- EDJoin helps teachers find jobs throughout the United States.
- See current job listings and job fair events.
- <https://www.edjoin.org/>

Teach California

- Teach California helps teachers find a job in California.
- <https://www.teachcalifornia.org/Steps/Jobs>

School Districts websites

- Google Keywords - District name and employment (i.e: LBUSD employment)
- [LBUSD Careers](#)
- [LAUSD Careers](#)
- [ABCUSD Careers](#)

TEACHER PREPARATION & ADVISING CENTER INFORMATION

Contact

E-mail: CED-LibSt@csulb.edu
Phone: 562-985-1105

Why Contact TPAC?

Ask questions about classes, applications,
deadlines, transfer requirements, etc.

Final Tips & Information!

- **First-Year Advising:** All transfers in their 1st Semester meet with their College Advisor(s) to review university resources, major information, schedule planning, and graduation pathways.
- **Peer Mentors:** Liberal Studies has Peer Mentors to help & assist fellow students. They can be reached at CED-LiberalStudiesMentors@csulb.edu
- **ITEP or BA:** No need to decide now! Students choose their pathway (ITEP or BA Option) by *end of Junior Year, beginning of Senior Year*.
 - To follow the ITEP pathway - Students mark 'ITEP' on Credential Application.
- **Liberal Studies Website:** Bookmark it now! Very helpful & resourceful.

Thank you!

Do you have any questions?

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