

**PROGRAM OF STUDY**  
**Preliminary Specialist Credential in Early Childhood Special Education**  
**2-SEMESTER OPTION**

After completion of the Preliminary credential, candidates are eligible to take teaching positions. Following employment as a special education teacher, candidates have five years to complete the Clear Professional Credential.

<b>Preliminary, Prerequisites*</b> <b>16 units</b>	<b>Preliminary, Semester I</b> <b>12 units + 8-10 unit practicum</b>	<b>Preliminary, Semester 2</b> <b>12 units + 8-10 unit practicum</b>
SPED 500 (Human Exceptionality) – 3 units	SPED 530 (Issues in Autism) –3 units	SPED 526 (Char. & Ed. Phys., Health, Sensory Impairments) –3 units
SPED 501** (Typical & Atypical Learning Processes ) — 3 units	SPED 553 (Behavioral Strategies and Supports for Students with Disabilities) –3 units	SPED 560 (Applications of Technology for Individuals with Disabilities) –3 units
SPED 502 (Field Experiences in General and Special Education) –1 unit	SPED 635 (Assessment in ECSE & M/S) –3 units	SPED 643A (Ed. Programs & Services for Young Children with Disabilities—Preschool) –3 units
SPED 528*** (Young Children with Disabilities and Their Families) –3 units	SPED 643B (Educational Programs & Services for Young Children with Disabilities-Infant/Toddler) –3 units	SPED 662 (Collaboration, Legislation, and Educational Planning in SPED) –3 units
SPED 527# (SPED in a Pluralistic Society) –3 units	SPED 980D (Advanced Practicum—Infant/Toddler)	SPED 980D (Advanced Practicum—Preschool)
DLE 915A# (Teaching and Learning in the Content Area: English Language Development/SDAIE) –3 units		

\* Students may major in Liberal Studies but are encouraged to enter from Child Development or related majors. Students from Liberal Studies must show evidence of the courses in CFD or their equivalent from another college or university. The CSET is not required.

\* Courses in this column are available to upper division undergraduate students.

\*\* Not required for candidates who possess a Multiple Subject or Single-Subject Teaching Credential from a California program sponsor. Individuals who acquired their Multiple Subjects or Single Subjects equivalent credentials outside of California **are required** to have a course in educational psychology or take this class 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 are admitted to the program in Fall must take SPED 528 concurrently with Semester I courses.

# Not required for candidates who possess a Multiple or Single Subjects credential inclusive of CLAD or EL authorization.

**Note:** Candidates for the Preliminary 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 Office of Student Services at (619) 594-6320.

Candidates for the Preliminary credential must complete a course in **Health Education**, including, but not limited to, nutrition, the physiological and sociological effects of alcohol, narcotics, drugs, and use of tobacco. This requirement must include verification of training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) which covers **infant and child to adult** CPR skills. **SDSU course TE 280**. For further clarification contact the Office of Student Services at (619) 594-6320

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