

Department of Special Education

Basic Skills Requirement

Directions: Upload the appropriate test scores with the application documents in the “Test Reporting” section. Proof of registration or proof of attempt may be uploaded for initial review purposes only. Applicants will not be admitted into the special education credential program without proof of minimum or passing test scores.

The basic skills requirement must be fulfilled before prior to admission to a special education credential program. Choose one of the following options to fulfill this requirement.

- A. CBEST (California Basic Skills Examination):** Submit a *photocopy* of the results. For information and registration go to http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/test_info/CBEST.asp.
- B. CSET Multiple Subjects test plus CSET Writing Skills test:** Submit a *photocopy* of the results. You must pass the Writing Skills test AND all three Multiple Subject subtests to fulfill the Basic Skills Requirement. For information and registration go to http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/test_info/CSET.asp?t=101. *Not recommended for those taking the Single Subject CSET exams.*
- C. Out-of-State Basic Skills Examination:** Submit a *photocopy* of the results. Not all states’ Basic Skills Exams have been approved by the CTC. Contact the Credential and Graduate Services Center to find a list of approved out-of-state basic skills exams.
- D. Other Options for Satisfying the Basic Skills Requirement (see chart below):**

| Examination | English Score Requirement | Math Score Requirement |
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| CSU Early Assessment Program | “College Ready” or “Exempt” | “College Ready” or “Exempt” |
| CSU Placement (EPT & ELM) Exams | Score of 151 or above | Score of 50 or above |
| College Board SAT | Score of 500 or above | Score of 550 or above |

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| EACD | Score of 22 or above | Score of 23 or above |
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| Advanced Placement (AP) | - Language and Composition | - Calculus (AB or BC) |
| Exams | - Literature and Composition | - Statistics |
| <i>The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing will accept a combination of scores from the EAP and the EPT/ELM examinations to meet the Basic Skills Requirement as long as the individual passes a section of English and a section of Mathematics.</i> | | |