# UNDERSTANDING PROGRAM AND CREDENTIAL REQUIREMENTS

# LEARNING GOALS

1. To understand the difference between program requirements and credential requirements.
2. To know all necessary program requirements to graduate and receive degree.
3. To know all necessary credential requirements to be recommended for Preliminary Credential.
4. To know where to access resources for more information.

# Policies That Guide Our Program And Requirements

California Educational Code

CTC Policies

UoR School of Education Policies

Student Teaching, Internship, or Residency

District/Charter Policies
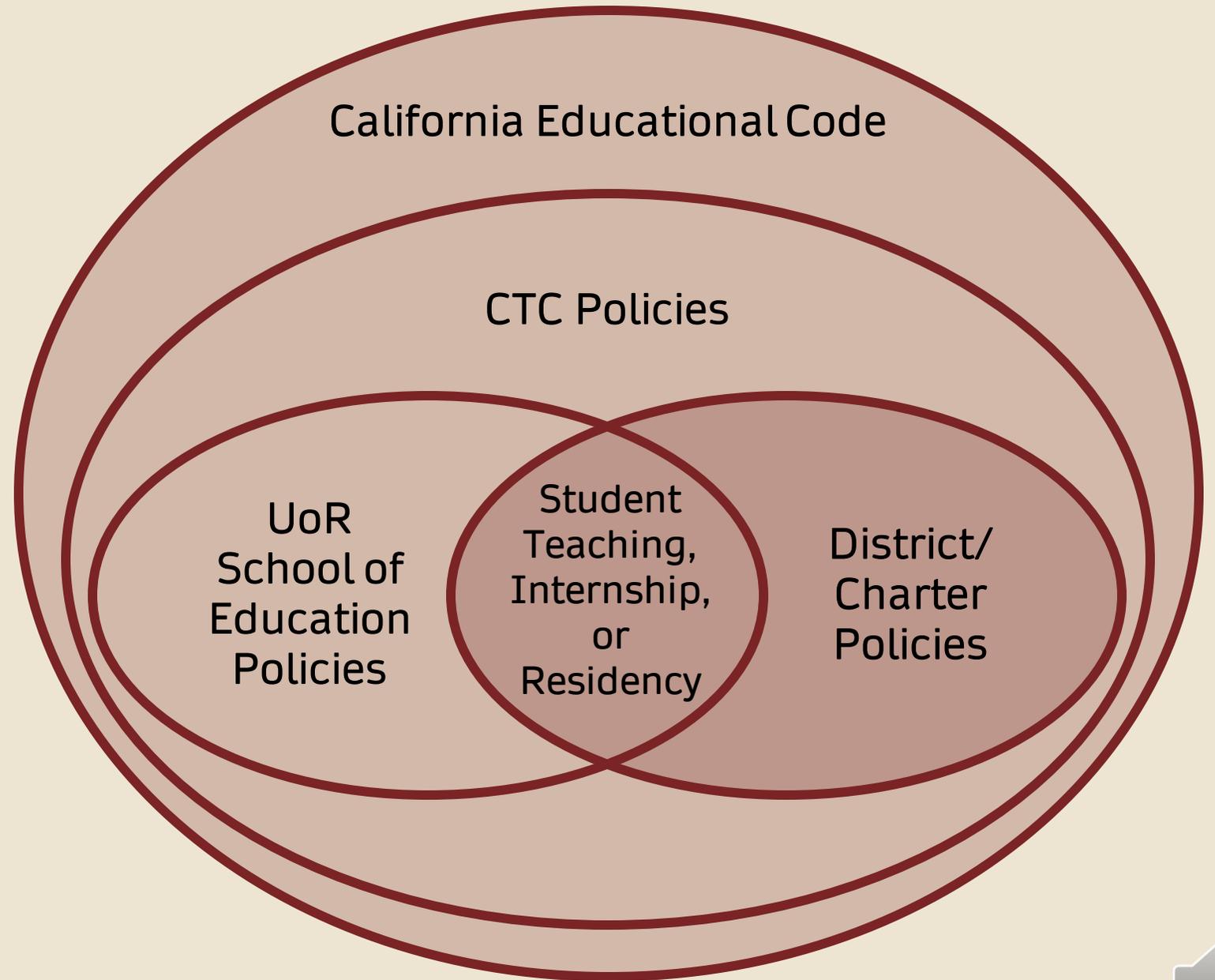
Program Requirements

- MALT 610 – Master's degree thesis

**COURSEWORK**
- Methods/ Foundation Courses
- Seminar Course

**FIELDWORK**
- Early Fieldwork
- Student Teaching, Internship, or Residency

Credential Requirements

- RICA (MS & EDSP)
- CalTPAs
- US Constitution requirement

Please note this is an overview of *some* of the credential requirements. More information about the requirements will be mentioned later in this session.

# Program Requirements

# COURSEWORK OVERVIEW

## Foundations & Methods Courses

- All teacher candidates complete 6 foundations and methods courses.

## Fieldwork Courses

- Each program requires a culminating fieldwork experience (student teaching, internship, or residency) and a teaching seminar course.

## Master Thesis Course

- For students in the MALT programs, this is a culminating thesis course
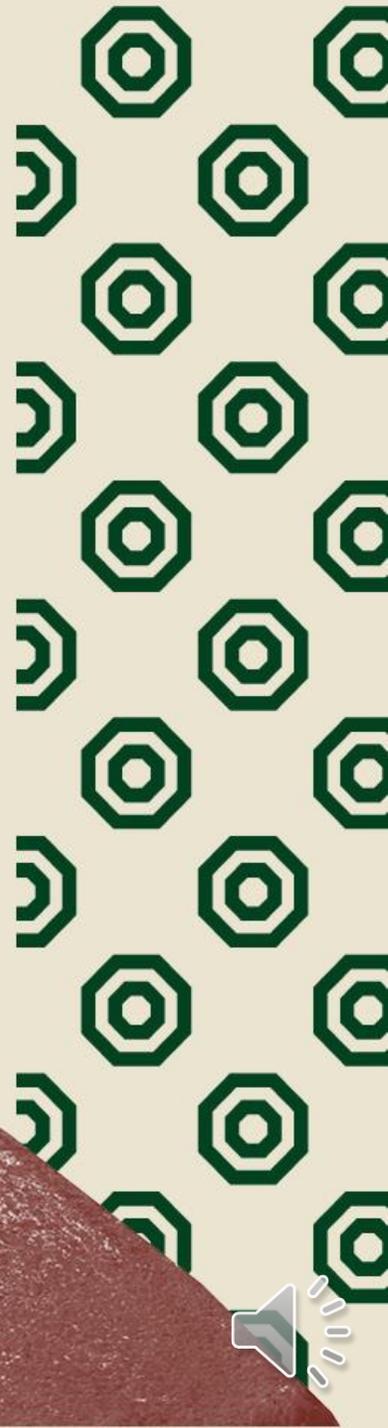
# PROGRAM PATHWAYS

Individual program requirements can be found on the program pathway documents

**Find all Program Pathways on the Current Teacher Candidates webpage**

### Masters + Credential

- MALT Multiple Subject Pathway
- MALT Multiple Subject, Teacher Resident Pathway
- MALT Single Subject Pathway
- MALT Single Subject, Teacher Resident Pathway
- MALT Education Specialist Pathway
- MALT Education Specialist, Teacher Resident Pathway
- MALT Education Specialist-Online Pathway

### Credential Only

- Preliminary Teaching Credential Multiple Subject Pathway
- Preliminary Teaching Credential Multiple Subject, Teacher Resident Pathway
- Preliminary Teaching Credential Single Subject Pathway
- Preliminary Teaching Credential Single Subject, Teacher Resident Pathway
- Preliminary Teaching Credential Education Specialist Pathway
- Preliminary Teaching Credential Education Specialist, Teacher Resident Pathway

### College of Arts and Science (CAS) Undergraduate

- Undergraduate Multiple Subject Pathway
- Undergraduate Single Subject CAS Pathway
- Undergraduate Single Subject: School of Music Pathway
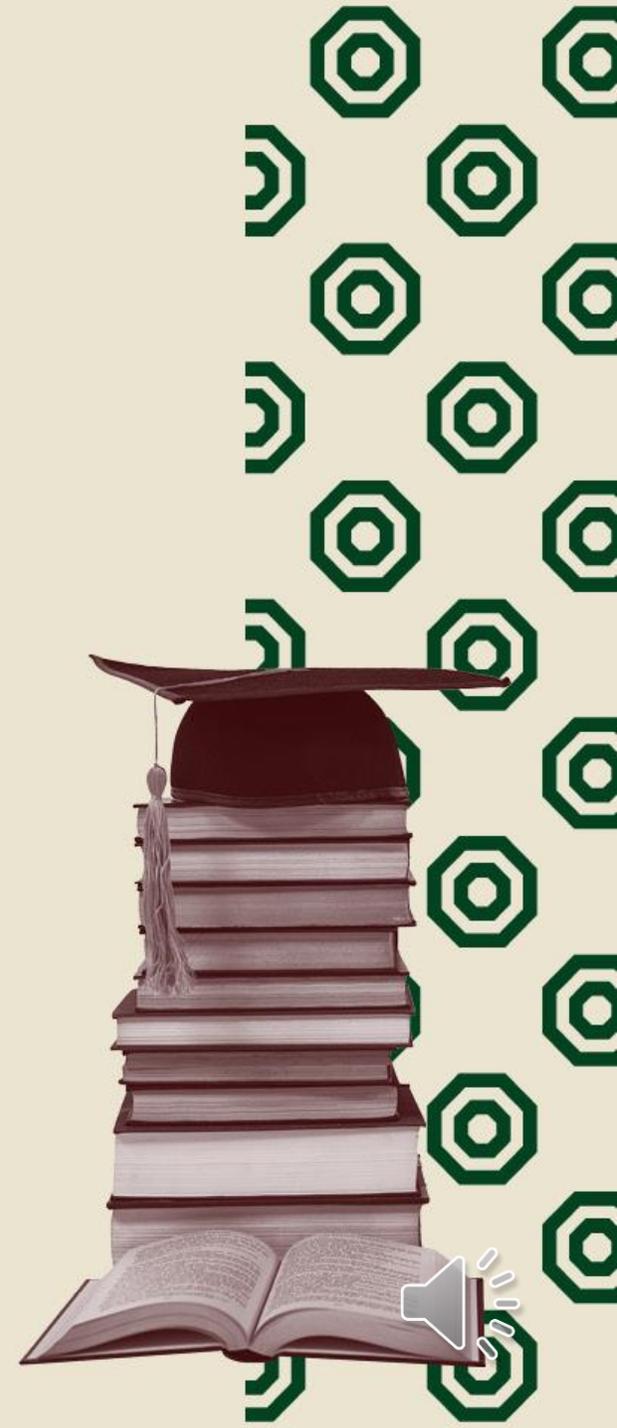
# Fieldwork Overview

# Fieldwork

CTC requires that all teacher candidates complete 600 hours of fieldwork across the arc of their program.

## 600 Hours of Fieldwork

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### 40 Hours (MS/SS) or 200 hours (EDSP)
- Early Fieldwork during Foundation and Methods Courses

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### 560 hours (MS/SS) or 400 Hours (EDSP)
- Student Teaching or Teaching Internship

# FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

| STUDENT TEACHING | TEACHING INTERNSHIP |
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| • Hosted by a Cooperating Teacher.<br><br>• Placement Coordinated by OSS.<br><br>• Lots of time to observe, co-teach, co-plan, and have daily support and guidance.<br><br>• Great for students with less teaching experience and looking to gain confidence in safe learning environment. | • Solo teacher in the classroom.<br><br>• Paid position with benefits.<br><br>• Must find internship on own. Be hired by a public school district/charter. Must be full time.<br><br>• Recommended for an Internship Credential.<br><br>• Great for students with prior teaching experience and established confidence. |

Applications, Instructions & Deadlines

# Preparing for Student Teaching

Be aware of applications deadlines, requirements and submit everything on time.

Use Early Fieldwork as an opportunity to observe teachers, network and connect with the districts.

If possible, sub in the district to connect with teachers and principals. You may really like a school site and request to be placed there.

Be open minded about where you will be placed and what you will learn.

# Preparing for an Internship

Be aware of deadlines to confirm an internship and application requirements.

Use Early Fieldwork as an opportunity to observe teachers, network, and connect with districts.

Use subbing and long-term sub positions as a way to network and gain experience.

Search EdJoin.

Consider what type of school you want to want and learn in.

Connect with the Office of Career and Professional Development.

# Credential Requirements

# Preliminary Credential Requirements

* =
submitted in application to the School of Education

**Have already met**
- Evidence of a bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited institution*
- Evidence of Basic Skills Requirement*
- Current Certificate of Clearance issued by CTC*
- Evidence of negative TB test result (skin tests within the last two years or chest x-ray exams within the last five years)*

**Work on during semester 1 & 2**
- Evidence of Subject Matter Competency
- Valid CPR certificate (infant, child and adult)
- Evidence of the U.S. Constitution requirement
- RICA passed (MS and EDSP)

**Complete by end of program**
- TPE Porfolio (EDSP - completed during seminar courses)
- CalTPA cycle I and II passed (all MS/SS and EDSP summer 2022 or after program start)
- All teacher-prep coursework completed, and grades posted
- Clear student account

# CREDENTIAL RECOMMENDATION

Complete foundation, methods, and fieldwork courses with grades posted.

Submit credential application.

OSS Advisor will review application and submit recommendation to CTC (2-3 weeks).

Applicants will receive email from CTC to pay credential fee.

CTC will process recommendation (10 business days).

# Subject Matter Competency

If you have not met Subject Matter Competency yet, you must do so in order to apply for student teaching or an internship.
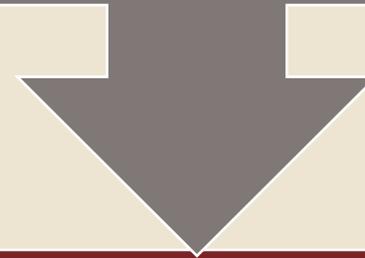
Subject Matter Competency can be met through:

| Examination (all CSET subtests passed) | Academic Degree | Coursework* | Combination of coursework and examination* |
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# US Constitution Requirement

This credential requirement can be met through a couple of ways:

- If you graduated from a CSU

- If you took a course that covered the US Constitution as a topic. <u>See the list of approved courses or contact your advisor.</u>

- <u>Take the online exam.</u>

# CalTPA Requirement

## Multiple Subject & Single Subject

Must pass the CalTPAs

## Education Specialist

If you started your program in Spring 2022 or prior, you *do not* need to complete the CalTPAs

If you started your program in Summer 2022 or after, you *will* need to complete the CalTPAs

# DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

Reach out to the Student Success Advisors or your Academic Advisor!

- [Make an appointment here!](#)