

Santa Clara County  Office of Education

I N V E S T I N G F O R



EQUITY • DIVERSITY • INCLUSION • PARTNERSHIP

**Earn and Clear Your Special
Education Credential Through EPIC**

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Earn One Add One Grant
- Program Information
- Q & A



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Earn One, Add One Grant Opportunity

What you GET **What you GIVE**

GET: Tuition assistance

- Up to \$20,000 for BA & Credential **OR**
- Full tuition support for 2 year program and accelerated pathway program

GIVE: *4 years of service as a special education teacher in a Consortium district. First employment efforts should be in the Consortium district you work for when beginning your credential program*

Must pay back money if you don't complete the program or provide your years of service



EPIC

What is EPIC?

EDUCATION PREPARATION FOR
INCLUSIVE CLASSROOM

Our focus is **Inclusion Education**

Inclusion secures opportunities for students with disabilities to learn alongside their non-disabled peers in general education classrooms.



Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE)	Moderate to Severe Disabilities (M/S)	Mild to Moderate Disabilities (M/M)
0 – 5	K- 22	K- 22
M/S and M/M	Autism	Autism
Early Intervention	Emotional Disturbance	Emotional Disturbance
Preschool	Intellectual Disability	Intellectual Disability
	Multiple Disabilities	Other Health Impaired
	Deaf Blind	Specific Learning Disability

All Placement Types for All Credentials

SDC, RSP, Inclusion



The logo for 'Summer Advance' is set against a background of a bright sun in a blue sky with white clouds. The word 'SUMMER' is written in large, bold, yellow capital letters with a black outline. Below it, the word 'ADVANCE' is written in large, bold, orange capital letters with a black outline.

SUMMER ADVANCE

- *Application Deadline April 15th aka Tax Day*
- *Orientation April 27th*
- *Starts May 10th*
- *Classes through 2 Summers*
- *Intern in Fall*
- *Complete in 15 months*
- *This is a Summer Advance Intensive Program*

Traditional Fall 2-Year Program



ADMISSION

US CONSTITUTION*

Letter of Intent

2 Signed letters of Recommendation
(1 from Supervisor)

BA/BS 2.75 GPA

Verification of employment

YEAR 1

18 semester units of coursework broken into multiple session start times

In class at night 1 to 3 days a week

Develop a CBEST/CSET plan
Attain Internship Position by August 1

YEAR 2

13 semester units of coursework

In class at night 1 to 3 days a week

CSET by March/July
(ECSE excluded)

CBEST by October

Onsite coaching from EPIC
DSP from District
Portfolio

CLEAR CREDENTIAL

2 years job embedded coaching

Inquiry Project

Online

Pass RICA by end of 2nd year of Induction

Clear
Credential

\$9,000

(no cost for grant recipients*)

Preliminary Credential

\$17,050 (no cost for grant recipients)

* up to \$20,000



SUMMER ADVANCE

Name of Program	SUMMER ADVANCE	
Credentials	Mild/Mod, ECSE, or Mod/Severe	
Intern Eligibility	Valid CPR, Complete 120 hrs of coursework	
Entry Points	Mid May – Starts May 10 th	
Time to Complete	18 months	
Cost	\$0 with Grant	\$17,050 w/o Grant
REQUIREMENTS		
2 letters of Rec	Letter of Intent	BA w GPA 2.75



TRADITIONAL PATHWAY

Name of Program	TRADITIONAL INTERN PATHWAY	
Credentials	Mild/Mod, ECSE or Mod/Severe	
Intern Eligibility	Valid CPR, Complete 120 hrs of coursework	
Entry Points	Fall and Spring Semesters	
Time to Complete	2 years	
Cost	\$0 with Grant	\$17,050 w/o Grant
REQUIREMENTS		
2 letters of Rec	Letter of Intent	BA w GPA 2.75



ACCELERATED PATHWAY

GENERAL ED and SPECIAL CREDENTIALLED TEACHERS

Name of Program	ACCELERATED PATHWAY	
Credentials	Mild/Mod, ECSE, or Mod/Severe	
Intern Eligibility	Immediately Upon Enrollment	
Entry Points	Fall & Spring Semesters	
Time to Complete	1 year	
Cost	\$0 with Grant	\$10,450 - \$11,550 w/o Grants

REQUIREMENTS

1 letters of Rec	Letter of Intent	Unofficial Transcripts
Satisfactory Evals or 2nd letter of Rec		Valid CPR

If Preliminary Credential, must submit verification of 2yrs of Exp



Intern Program

- Passed the CSET (ECSE excluded)
- Completed 120 hrs of coursework
- Have a valid CPR

***Whether in 2- year or Accelerated Program
you must do an internship***





Burning Questions