Earn and Clear Your Special Education Credential Through EPIC
Agenda

Welcome and Introductions
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Earn One, Add One Grant Opportunity

Receive
FULL TUITION SUPPORT
for Preliminary and Accelerated Pathway Programs*

In exchange for
4 years of service as a special education teacher in a K-12 education public, private or charter school in Santa Clara County.

Initial internship employment efforts must be with grant qualifying organization

*Up to $20,000 for BA & Credential
What is EPIC?

EPIC is a Commission on Teaching Credential (CTC) Accredited Alternative Credentialing Agency.

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What is EPIC?

Balance of Theory and Practice

Faculty are Practitioners in the field who know what is relevant now

Directors of Special Education
SELPA Directors
Principals
Teachers
Program Graduates
Our focus is **Inclusive Education**

- Students with and without disabilities participating in learning and social activities together
- **ALL** children benefit from modifications and accommodations
- Inclusion teaches children to embrace difference and view diversity as an asset
- Inclusion improves academic outcomes for **ALL** students
Our focus is **Inclusive Education**

- EVERY course addresses at least one high leverage practice in special education for inclusive classrooms
- EVERY signature project is tied to inclusion
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**All Placement Types for All Credentials**

SDC, RSP, Inclusion
Why become a special education teacher?

It’s a passion and every day is different and exciting!
Why become a special education teacher

More marketable

Range of positions

Teacher shortages, thus job opportunities are increasing.

Grant Covers ALL Tuition costs

Job security
Traditional Fall 2-Year Program

**YEAR 1**
- 18 units
- Class 1 to 3 days a week
- CBEST/CSET
- Attain PAID Internship by August 1

**YEAR 2**
- 13 Units
- Class 1 to 3 days a week
- RICA
- District Mentor
- EPIC Coach
- TPA

**ADMISSION**
- Letter of Intent
- 1 letters of Recommendation from supervisor
- BA/BS 2.75 GPA
- Verification of employment (grant)
- US CONSTITUTION* (you will be notified upon admission if you need to meet this requirement)

**Preliminary Credential**
- **No Cost for Grant Recipients***
- $8,525 per year w/o grant

**Clear Credential**
- **No Cost for Grant Recipients***
- $4,500 per year w/o grant

* up to $20,000

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FALL 2021 ENROLLMENT

Complete in 2 years
Classes through 1 Summer
Application Deadline
Orientation
Classes Start

Aug 13th
Aug 18th
Aug 24th

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# TRADITIONAL PATHWAY

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ACCELERATED PATHWAY
Clear Teaching Credential or Prelim and 2 years of Experience
Complete in 15 months
Summer, Fall or Spring Entry Points
Current Application Deadline: Aug 13th
Summer Orientation: Aug 18th
Classes Start: Aug 24th

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ACCELERATED PATHWAY

Intern Eligible upon admittance.

Candidates with a Clear Credential upon admission will earn a Clear Credential.

Candidates who enter with a preliminary credential and two years of experience will be recommended for a preliminary.

No Tuition Cost for Grant Recipients

$10,450 - $12,650 w/o grant
## ACCELERATED PATHWAY

### GENERAL ED and SPECIAL CREDENTIALED TEACHERS

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Paid INTERNShip Program

Earn While You Learn

Required for ALL Pathways
Passed the CSET (ECSE excluded) - 
*Accelerated Pathway Candidates have met this CSET requirement*
Completed 120 hrs of coursework
Have a valid CPR
Induction

It’s Clear You Should Clear With Us!

Special Ed Induction - No Tuition Cost for Grant Recipients*
$4,500 w/o grant

General Ed Induction - $4,500 per year
CLEAR INDUCTION

CRITERIA FOR APPLICATION

Preliminary CA Teaching Credential

Unofficial Transcripts

A teaching position

PROGRAM ELEMENTS

2 years job embedded coaching

2 Online Collaboratives

Action Research Inquiry Project

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