

# CERRITOS COLLEGE

## ELEMENTARY TEACHER EDUCATION/LIBERAL STUDIES

### TRANSFER PREPARATION

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The requirements listed for the major are subject to change without notice. It is the student's responsibility to check for the most recent information with a Cerritos College counselor or by consulting ASSIST at [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org). **NOTE:** Courses listed may require prerequisite coursework.

Elementary teachers teach many subjects for example Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Science, Visual and Performing Arts and Physical Education. There are many possible majors, but it is best to major in a subject including all of these subjects such as Liberal Studies. Students who complete this major at CSU Dominguez Hills, CSU Los Angeles, and CSU Long Beach will not need to take the California Educator Credentialing Examinations for Teachers (CSET), an exam which satisfies the subject matter competence requirement for the Multiple Subject Credential.

Students who wish to choose an academic major other than Liberal Studies to prepare for elementary school teaching should schedule an appointment with a Teacher TRAC counselor to discuss their options.

An Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Elementary Teacher Education is available at Cerritos College. While this major is not required, it offers benefits for students transferring to a CSU offering a similar degree such as at these local universities: CSU Dominguez Hills, CSU Fullerton, and CSU Long Beach where completing the Elementary Teacher Education AA-T meets the lower division major requirements. To check for similar degrees at other CSU's go to <https://www.cerritos.edu/transfer-center/sb-1440-degrees-and-information-.htm>

Students transferring with an AA-T to a CSU with a similar degree, receive a 0.10 GPA bump during the admissions process. In most cases, they can also complete 60 units of coursework at the university for a B.A. This applies to a Liberal Studies B.A. but not to Integrated Programs which combine the B.A. and multiple subject teaching credential. Students can complete an AA-T at Cerritos and any additional lower division courses required by the specific university they plan to attend. See the course lists for local CSU's below.

#### **Basic Skills Requirement (CBEST)**

To teach in the public schools of California candidates must verify basic skills proficiency before a credential will be issued. One of the options for meeting this requirement is passing the CBEST (California Basic Educational Skills Test). It is recommended that it be taken the semester before transferring to a university. The CBEST verifies proficiency in reading, mathematics, and writing. To view other options for meeting the basic skills requirement, check the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) website at [www.ctc.ca.gov](http://www.ctc.ca.gov). Completion of the basic skills requirement is necessary prior to student teaching. For CBEST information, log on to [www.cbest.nesinc.com](http://www.cbest.nesinc.com). Free test preparation is available to everyone at <https://www.csulb.edu/teacher-preparation-advising-center-tpac/free-cbest-online-preparation-courses>.

#### **California State University – Dominguez Hills**

Contact the Liberal Studies Program for further information at (310) 243-3832 or visit their website at <http://www.csudh.edu/coe/program/liberalstudies>

Biology	120
Child Development	110

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### California State University – Dominguez Hills (cont.)

Communication	100,120,125, 130 <b>or</b> 132 (COMM 130 For AA-T)
Elementary Education School Teachers	100
Elementary Education School Teachers	200
English	100 <b>or</b> 100S
English	102
English	103, 110, COMM 103, PHIL 103, 106, PSYC 103 <b>or</b> READ 200
Geography	105
History	102
History	245 <b>or</b> ANTH 120 (HIST 245 For AA-T)
Math	110A
Physical Science	112
Political Science	101 <b>or</b> 201 (POL 101 For AA-T)
Theatre	101, 151 <b>or</b> RTV 151, MUS 100 <b>or</b> DANC 101 (TH 101, DANC 101 <b>or</b> MUS 100 For AA-T)

Students must select and complete one of the approved options: Anthropology, Art, Dance, Early Teaching and Learning, English Language and Linguistics, Literature, Human Development, Mathematics, Natural Science, Physical Education, Spanish, and Theatre Arts. Log on to the ASSIST website at [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) to view option requirements which can be completed here.

### California State University – Fullerton

As of March 2020, the Liberal Studies major at CSUF has not yet been approved as a waiver program. Until a waiver is approved, subject matter competence must be verified by achieving a passing score on the California Subject Examination for Teacher (CSET). For further information, log on to the CSUF Liberal Studies website at: <http://lbtst.fullerton.edu/>

Biology	120
Child Development	110
Child Development	124
Communication	100
Earth Science	110 <b>or</b> PS 112 (Both For AA-T)
English	100 <b>or</b> 100S
English	103, 110, COMM 103, PHIL 103, 106, PSYC 103 <b>or</b> READ 200
English	106, 230A, 230B <b>or</b> 246B
English	222
Geography	105
History	102
History	245 <b>and</b> 246
Humanities	100
Math	110A
Math	105
Music	100
Political Science	101 <b>or</b> 201 (POL 101 For AA-T)

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### California State University – Long Beach

#### Traditional and Teacher TRAC/ITEP Curriculum

The following courses meet lower division requirements for both the traditional teacher preparation Program consisting of a B.A. and year and a half long credential program AND the Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP). Upon completion of ITEP a student will meet requirements for both a B.A. in Liberal Studies and preliminary multiple subject teaching credential for teaching grades K through 6<sup>th</sup>, without enrolling in a year and a half long credential program. For further information, log on to the CSUL Liberal Studies website at:

<http://www.csulb.edu/college-of-education/liberal-studies/program-overview/liberal-studies-program>

Biology	120 <sup>^</sup>
Child Development	110 <sup>^</sup>
Communication	130 <sup>**^</sup>
Communication	103, ENGL 103, 110, PHIL 103, 106, PSYC 103 <b>or</b> READ 200 <sup>**^</sup>
Earth Science	110 <sup>^</sup>
Education/Elementary School Teachers	100
Education/Elementary School Teachers	200+ <sup>^</sup>
Educational Technology	110
English	100 <sup>^</sup> <b>or</b> English 100S <sup>**^</sup>
English	102 <sup>^</sup> , 230A, 230B, 245, 246A <b>or</b> 246B <sup>**</sup>
Geography	105 <sup>^</sup>
History	102 <sup>**^</sup>
History	245 <sup>^</sup>
Math	110A <sup>**^</sup>
Math	110B
Music	105
Physical Science	112 <sup>^</sup>
Philosophy	100, 102 <b>or</b> 200
Political Science	101 <sup>**^</sup>
Theatre	101 <sup>^</sup> <b>or</b> DANC 101 <sup>^</sup>

+Course is restricted to official Teacher TRAC students only.

<sup>^</sup>Course required for the Elementary Teacher Education AA-T

<sup>\*\*</sup>These designated classes make up the major specific lower division preparation which must be completed by the end of the prior spring semester for fall admission or by the end of the prior summer term for spring admission.

The traditional Liberal Studies pathway requires completion of a 12 units concentration selected from Education Studies, Human & Child Development, Language Arts, Mathematics, Natural Science or History and Social Science.

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### California State University – Los Angeles

The CSULA Liberal Studies major offers two elementary teacher preparation options. The Traditional Option leads to a Liberal Studies B.A. and provides coursework that waives the CSET. The Integrated Option provides for completion of a B.A. while also completing a Multiple Subject Teacher Teaching Credential. CSULA does not offer a major similar to the Elementary Teacher Education AA-T however, students may earn the AA-T before transferring. For further information about the CSULA Liberal Studies major, go to: <http://www.calstatela.edu/dept/libstudies>

Biology	120
Child Development	110 <b>or</b> Psychology 251 (CD 110 For AA-T)
Communication	100, 120, 125, 130 <b>or</b> 132 (COMM 130 For AA-T)
Earth Science	110
English	100 <b>or</b> 100S
English	103, 110, COMM 103, PHIL 103, 106, PSYC 103 <b>or</b> READ 200
History	102
History	245 <b>or</b> 241 (HIST 245 For AA-T)
History	246 <b>or</b> 242
Math	110A
Math	110B
Political Science	101 <b>or</b> 201 (POL 101 For AA-T)
Theatre 101, DANC 101, MUS 100	<b>or</b> ART 100 (TH 101 <b>or</b> DANC 101 Recommended for AA-T)
2 Courses from: ANTH 100, SOC 110, CD 124, ENGL 236, GEOG 102, PHIL 102	<b>or</b> 200, ENGL 102
<b>or</b> GEOG 102 (ENGL 102 For AA-T)	