

BA-Teacher Credentialing Fast Track

BA students interested in earning a teaching credential may apply for the Fast Track option of the MAE/TC Program. Eligible BA Fast Track students may earn up to 31 upper division credits toward a teaching credential during the last one or two quarters of their BA Program. Upon successful completion of the BA degree, the student is eligible to be considered for admission into the Teacher Credential Program and may complete the credential in two or three additional quarters of full-time study.

Because most BA requirements must be fulfilled prior to starting teaching credential course work, prospective Fast Track students must plan their studies carefully with their BA advisers in order to meet the eligibility requirements listed below:

To begin the teacher credential course work, the student must have completed:

Unit Requirement:

- At least 149 of the 180 minimum total units for the BA degree
- At least 59 of the minimum 90 upper division units
- At least 14 units in residency at AULA
- If the student has declared a specialized Area of Concentration, he/she must have completed at least 40 units in that Area. Not applicable for students who have chosen Liberal Studies.

Domains of Knowledge Requirement:

- Must have completed at least 6 units in each of the following Domains of Knowledge: Communications, Quantitative Methods, Fine Arts, Humanities, and Sciences. Students may fulfill the Social Science Domain with the Teacher Education program courses.

Assessments:

- Students must have completed writing and math assessments, including turning in math workbooks
- Students must have completed all writing classes as indicated by the results of the writing assessment

Residency Requirement:

- BA students must complete a minimum 45 units in residency at AULA. Prospective Early Decider candidates should expect to spend at least two quarters in the BA Program before beginning their Fast Track coursework.

Good Standing Requirement

- Must be in good standing in the BA program:
- Not on SAP or academic probation

Students interested in the Fast Track option should contact the Program Coordinator of the Education Department to review their eligibility and work closely with their BA adviser to prepare a plan for meeting the requirements.

Note: The State of California awards Teaching Credentials. Universities recommend candidates to the State for the Credential. AULA's Teacher Credentialing Program provides the curriculum to prepare candidates for the Preliminary Multiple Subject or Preliminary Education Specialist Mild/Moderate Teaching Credential with the English Language Learner authorization. Once candidates successfully complete the required coursework, AULA provides verification of course completion and, with program approval, recommends candidates to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (<http://www.ctc.ca.gov>), in conjunction with the candidate's application.