

WHITTIER COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

INTEGRATED PATHWAY FOR SINGLE SUBJECT CREDENTIAL

Interested in completing requirements for a Preliminary Single Subject Credential while as an undergraduate?

Whittier College currently offers programs for candidates pursuing a preliminary single subject credential in Mathematics, Science, Social Science, English Language Arts, and Physical Education.

Below is a suggested pathway towards completing requirements for the preliminary single subject credential program as an undergraduate.

The following sequence would allow you to meet the graduate-level program pre-requisites:

- Child Development (met through **CHDV 105**)
- US Constitution requirement (met through **PLSC 110**)
- Basic Skills Requirement (met through conferred BA degree)

The Subject Matter Competency Requirement could be met by successfully completing a major in the content area in which you plan to teach. Please consult the department's credential analyst for more information.

First Year

- **CHDV 105:** Introduction to Child Development (3 credits)
- **PLSC 110:** American Government and Politics (3 credits)
- **EDUC 300:** Historical & Anthropological Perspectives on Education (3 credits)

Second Year

- **EDUC 406:** Learning & Learners (3 credits)
- **EDUC 401:** Teaching Diverse Learners (3 credits)

Third Year

- **EDUC 429:** Introduction to Inclusive Learners (2 credits)
- **EDUC 404:** Second Language Acquisition & Methodology (3 credits)

Fourth Year

- **EDUC 403:** Teaching Content Area Literacy (3 credits)
- **EDUC 409:** Single Subject Curriculum & Pedagogy (3 credits)

Once you apply and gain formal acceptance into the graduate-level credential program:

- **EDUC 512:** Promoting Student Health & Wellness (1 credit)
- **EDUC 520:** Student Teaching (12 credits)
- **EDUC 521:** Student Teaching Seminar: Single Subject (1 credit)

Additional Requirements

- CalTPA Instructional Cycles (completed during student teaching)
- CPR Certification (Adult, Child & Infant)
- A valid Certificate of Clearance or Substitute Permit
- Basic Skills Requirement (if not met through options provided above)
- US Constitution Requirement (if not met through options provided above)
- Subject Matter Competency Requirement (if not met through options provided above)

Important Notices

All undergraduate students are eligible to take Education courses that relate to the preliminary credential; however, taking an education course does not mean one was formally admitted into the credential program. Only students who are formally admitted into the credential program are recommended for a preliminary credential.

Undergraduate students take sections of courses at the 300 and 400 level. Graduate students take courses at the 500 level and above. Courses taken at the undergraduate level (i.e. 300 or 400 level) do not count towards a Master of Arts in Teaching.

To be recommended for a preliminary credential, all credential requirements, including coursework, must be completed. All coursework must be completed with a B- or better. To matriculate through the credential program, cumulative GPA must be 3.0.