

Early Childhood Disabilities Special Education Credential Program Admissions File (P.A.F.) Requirements

The Program Admissions File (P.A.F.) is the formal application to the Early Childhood Disabilities Special Education Credential Program. The following requirements must be submitted by the program deadline date in order to be considered for admission to the program. NOTE: All P.A.F. contents cannot be retrieved or duplicated.

Requirements:

1. Advising Form

All applicants are required to obtain and submit a signed advising form from the Program Advisor verifying attendance of an information session. For a list of available dates and times, please refer to the Information Sessions webpage at <http://coe.csusb.edu/info-sessions>.

1. Personal Narrative

All applicants are required to submit a personal narrative that addresses the following:

- Interest in and motivation for a teaching career in a multicultural setting;
- Personal background/experience in working with children in a multicultural setting;
- Other experiences the applicant considers important in becoming a teacher; and
- Any abilities, knowledge, skills, or experiences that will enhance the applicants effectiveness as a teacher.

2. Two Recommendation Forms

All applicants are required to submit a [Recommendation Form](#) from two individuals (*not a family member*) who are able to evaluate and address the applicants scholastic performance and suitability for teaching. **NOTE: Letters of recommendation will not be accepted in lieu of the required Recommendation Forms.**

2. Negative Tuberculosis (TB) Test Results

All applicants are required to submit verification of a valid negative TB test results via one of the following options:

- An official immunization record stamped by the healthcare provider.
- An official letterhead signed by the healthcare provider (Risk Assessment Questionnaires are not acceptable).

NOTE: Negative TB test results are valid for four years from the date the test was read and must remain valid for the duration of the program.

3. Certificate of Clearance

All applicants are required to submit verification from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (C.T.C.) of the issuance of a valid California Certificate of Clearance, credential or permit.

4. **Official Transcripts**

All applicants are required to submit an official transcript from each institution attended with the exception of California State University, San Bernardino directly to the Jim and Judy Watson Student Services Office (CE 102) by the program deadline date.

5. **Field Experience**

All applicants are required to submit documentation of at least 45 hours of field experience in a K-12 classroom via one of the following:

- Early Field Experience Verification Form
- Original letterhead signed by the authorized school personnel
- Original field log signed by the authorized school personnel

NOTE: This does not apply to applicants that have successfully completed EELB 230 and one of the following: HD 245, HD 246, HD 247 or EELB 301 at CSUSB.

6. **Basic Skills Requirement**

All applicants are required to submit official verification of successful completion of the Basic Skills Requirement directly to the Jim and Judy Watson Student Services Office (CE 102) by the program deadline date via one of the following options:

- Official California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)
- Official CSU Early Assessment Program (EAP)
- Official CSU English Placement Test (EPT) and the Entry Level Math (ELM) Test
- Official official SAT or ACT score report
- Official College Board Advanced Placement Examinations

NOTE: CBEST examination results that were sent via electronic score report with the required unique barcode can be uploaded via the document tab.

7. **Grade Point Average (G.P.A.)** – All applicants must have a cumulative G.P.A. of a 2.67 or a 2.75 in their last 90 quarter units.

Please note: After you have submitted a complete P.A.F. by the deadline date and the Program Admissions Evaluator has verified that all requirements have been met, you will be conditionally classified. Once conditionally classified, you will be allowed to enroll in the following pre-requisite coursework: ESPE 530, ESPE 531 and HD 240 or EELB 301. After successful completion of pre-requisite coursework with a “B” or better, you will be classified without conditions and allowed to enroll in coursework specific to the track you choose.