

Teacher Training Academy (Teacher TRAC)

Purpose and Goals

Teacher TRAC provides a guided pathway that serves all students interested in teaching at any level or in any subject area.

Student Population Served

Teacher TRAC students are part of every Learning and Career Pathway and include a variety of majors. They self-identify as future early childhood, elementary, secondary or CTE teachers.

Number of Students Served Annually and Capacity

Currently there are 450 students participating in the Teacher TRAC Program. There is no limit on our capacity.

High-Impact Interventions

We provide a designated counselor that can work with future teachers to ensure that their time at Cerritos maximizes meeting future requirements for a permit/credential, grant funded programs that include mentorship from PK-12th grade teachers, paid internships, and workshops. We also provide a Success Coach that is a previous Teacher TRAC student and is in a master's program at CSULB, and a designated office available Monday through Friday to answer questions and provide help.

Intended Impacts and Measured Outcomes

Future teachers don't always know what age level or subject they want to teach. Teacher TRAC provides opportunities for career exploration, so students can learn the "art" of teaching while their academic classes provide the "science" of teaching.

Did You Know?

The program will celebrate its 25th year during 2024-2025. We were the first community college to establish a formal program and graduate a cohort of students who also completed an integrated teacher education program at CSULB. We now partner with several universities and are adding a special education pathway. A leadership team comprised of faculty and staff meet monthly. Considering our new LCP structure, Teacher TRAC assists future teachers in every LCP benefit from special guidance and programming.



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