

# CERRITOS COLLEGE

## ELEMENTARY TEACHER EDUCATION

### LIBERAL STUDIES

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**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 from Transitional Kindergarten (TK) to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. There are many possible majors, but it is recommended to select a major that includes all off those subjects, such as a BA in Liberal Studies. Students who complete a Liberal Studies Major meet the Subject Matter Requirements for the Multiple Subjects Credential. Other majors may require students to take the California Subject Examinations for Teachers (CSET). Students should schedule an appointment with a Teacher TRAC counselor to discuss credentialing and how their Comprehensive Education Plan will maximize their options.

An Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer (AA-T) in Elementary Teacher Education is available at Cerritos College. While this major is not required for transfer, it does offer benefits for students transferring to a Liberal Studies major at 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 at Cerritos College meets the lower division major requirements for the B.A in Liberal Studies. To check for similar degrees at other CSU's go to (<https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Pages/associate-degree-for-transfer-major-and-campus-search.aspx>)

Students transferring with an AA-T to a CSU with a similar degree, receive a 0.10 GPA bump during the admissions process (CSU Los Angeles not deemed similar). 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 completion of 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 CSUs below and consult with a counselor.

#### **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 8<sup>th</sup>, without enrolling in a year and a half long credential program. For further information, log on to the CSULB Liberal Studies website at:

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

Biology	120
Child Development	110
Communication	130
Communication	103, ENGL 103, 110, PHIL 103, 106, PSYC 103 <b>or</b> READ 103
Earth Science	110

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**California State University – Long Beach – (con.t)**

Education	100
Education	200
Educational Technology	110
English	100 <b>or</b> English 100S
English	102, 230A, 230B, 245, 246A <b>or</b> 246B (ENGL 102 For AA-T)
Geography	105
History	102
History	245
Math	110A
Math	110B
Music	105
Physical Science	112
Philosophy	100, 102 <b>or</b> 200
Political Science	101
Theatre	101 <b>or</b> DANC 101

**California State University – Dominguez Hills**

Students must select and complete one of the approved options: Anthropology, Art, Dance, Early Learning and Teaching, Educating Children with Disabilities, English Language and Linguistics, Literature, Human Development, Mathematics, Natural Science, Physical Education, Spanish, and Theatre Arts. Log on to the ASSIST website at <https://assist.org/> to view option requirements which can be completed here.

Contact the Liberal Studies Program for further information at (310) 243-3832 or visit their website at <https://www.csudh.edu/liberal-studies/>

Biology	120
Child Development	110
Communication	100,120,125, 130 <b>or</b> 132 (COMM 130 For AA-T)
Education	100
Education	200
English	100 <b>or</b> 100S
English	102
English	103, 110, COMM 103, PHIL 103, 106, PSYC 103 <b>or</b>
Read	103
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 RTV 151, MUS 100 <b>or</b> DANC 101 (TH 101, DANC 101 <b>or</b> MUS 100 For AA-T)

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#### California State University – Los Angeles

The CSULA Liberal Studies major offers three elementary teacher preparation options. Option III - 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 103
History	102
History	241, 242, 245, or 246 (HIST 245 For AA-T)
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)
WGS	101
1 Diversity course from: ANTH 100, ART 100, SOC 101, SOC 110, CD 124, GEOG 102, HIST 241, HIST 242, HIST 245, HIST 246, HIST 102, HIST 103, PHIL 102, or PHIL 200.	
1 Race & Ethnicity course: ENGL 225	

#### California State University – Fullerton

Students must select and complete one of the approved options: Elementary Education or Interdisciplinary Thematic Emphasis. Log on to the ASSIST website at <https://assist.org/> to view option requirements which can be completed here.

For further information, log on to the CSUF Liberal Studies website at: <http://lbst.fullerton.edu/>

Biology	120
Child Development	110
Communication	130
Earth Science	110 <b>or</b> PS 112 (Both For AA-T)
English	100 <b>or</b> 100S
English	COMM 103, READ 103
English	106, 230A, 230B, 246A, <b>or</b> 246B
English	222
Geography	105
History	102
History	245
Humanities	100
Math	105 or 110A (MATH 110A for AA-T)

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Music 100  
Political Science 101 *or* 201 (POL 101 For AA-T)

**Basic Skills Requirement**

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 courses with a B or better found under areas A2, A3 and B4 of the Plan B - California State University General Education (CSUGE) OR courses under areas 1A, 1B and 2 of the Plan C - Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) Students can also meet the Basic Skills Requirement by completing the CBEST Exam. It is recommended that it be taken the semester before transferring to a university. To view other options for meeting the basic skills requirement, check the Basic Skills Requirement webpage [https://www.cerritos.edu/teachertrac/Basic\\_Skills.htm](https://www.cerritos.edu/teachertrac/Basic_Skills.htm). Free test preparation is available to everyone at https: <https://www.csulb.edu/college-of-education/teacher-preparation-advising-center-tpac>.