

Credentials Offered

Multiple Subject Preliminary Teaching Credential

Usually in an elementary or middle school, a multiple subject teacher teaches a variety of subjects, including literacy, mathematics, science, social studies, fine arts, physical education, and health. We recommend a liberal arts major for multiple subject candidates.

Single Subject Preliminary Teaching Credential

Usually in a middle or high school, a single subject teacher specializes in one content area. We recommend that you earn a major in your chosen discipline, such as mathematics, English, history, science, music, or art.

Earning Both Credentials

You can earn both credentials through the Seaver Teacher Education Program with by taking one additional course and passing the content area exams required by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

Admission

Students are admitted into the Seaver Teacher Education Program normally after completing 12 units of education coursework and meeting the admission requirements. A cumulative GPA of 2.5 is required for admission and continuance in the program. Contact a teacher education faculty member for further advisement regarding prerequisites and program admission.



For further information

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Preparing teachers

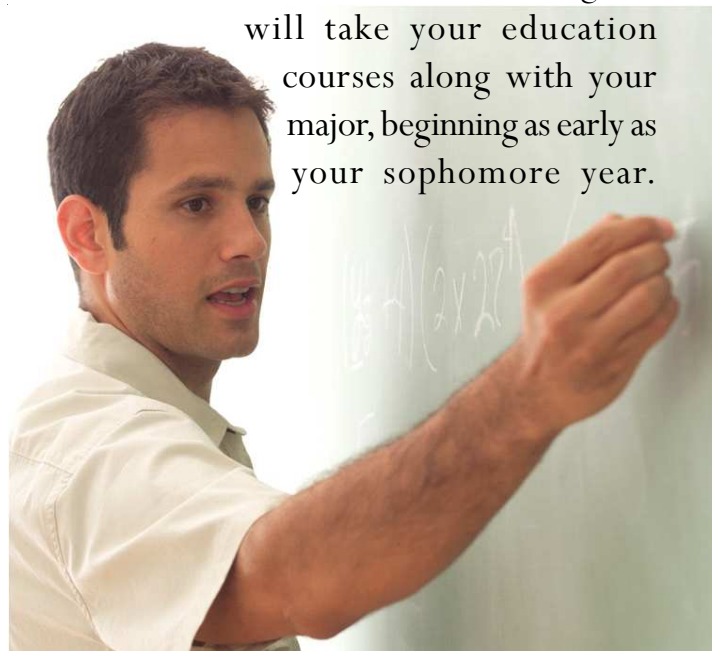
has been at the center of Pepperdine University's mission from the founding of the institution in 1937. Christian values, professional excellence, and academic challenge characterize the Seaver Teacher Education Program. Program graduates earn California teaching credentials which qualify them to teach in public and private elementary, middle, and high schools. Our credential program is accredited by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

The teacher education program provides opportunities for K-12 teaching experience from the earliest courses through full time student teaching.

Practical Experience

It has been said that the best educational theory is essentially *practical*, and the best educational practice is essentially *theoretical*. In the Seaver Teacher Education Program, the practical and the theoretical come together in the integration of professional university coursework with purposeful experiences in K-12 classrooms. Education courses always include a fieldwork component, and you will work in at least five different classrooms.

In the Seaver Teacher Education Program, you will take courses in content knowledge for teaching, foundations of education, and methods for teaching. You will take your education courses along with your major, beginning as early as your sophomore year.



You will learn to

- work well with students from diverse economic, cultural, geographical, and linguistic backgrounds.
- adapt instruction for students with special learning needs.
- establish and maintain a positive climate for learning in your classroom.
- select and use educational technology, supplemental materials, and life experiences to make learning engaging, meaningful, and authentic.
- plan a schedule and organize materials for a lesson, a school day, a unit of study, and a school year.
- work collegially with other teachers, communicate with students' family members, and understand your school's community.
- learn from your own teaching and direct your own professional development.