CBEST

- California Basic Educational Skills Test™
- Measures basic educational skills needed for teachers
  - Reading
  - Writing
  - Math
- Required for entry to all teaching credential programs
- Never too early to take it
- Scores don’t expire
• California Subject Examinations for Teachers™
• Designed to measure specific knowledge of subject matter
• There are several different types of CSET, both multiple- and single-subjects.
• Multiple-Subjects test based on the subjects covered in Liberal Studies major.
• Three Multiple Subjects subtests:
  1. Reading, Language & Literature; History & Social Science
  2. Science; Mathematics
  3. Visual & Performing Arts; Human Development; Physical Education
• Can take subtests separately.
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Subtest 2: Math and Science

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Subtest 3:
Visual & Performing Arts
Human Development
Physical Education

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Suggestions for Future Teachers

• Take CBEST as soon as possible after completing Math requirements
  ▪ Visit website: www.ctcexams.nesinc.com

• Prepare yourself for the CSET
  ▪ Save your textbooks and class notes
  ▪ Visit website: www.cset.nesinc.com

• Attend College of Education Advising Workshops

• Maintain a minimum 2.67 GPA, but aim higher!

• Prerequisite courses: EDUC 350, 364, and 422 — NOT part of your major (C+ or better).
Requirements for Future Teachers (K-12)

• To become a teacher in CA, you need:
  ▪ Teaching Credential (multiple- or single-subject)
• To enter most Credential programs you need:
  ▪ Bachelor’s Degree
  ▪ CBEST Exam
  ▪ CSET Exam (before student teaching)
  ▪ Prerequisite Education Courses
Basic Teaching Credentials

**Multiple Subject**
- Allows you to teach in self-contained classrooms (Elementary and/or Middle School, or Special Education K-12).

**Single Subject**
- Allows you to teach departmentalized classrooms (Middle School and/or High School).
Middle School

- Grades 5-9
- At Cal State San Marcos, the middle level credential program is also a multiple subject credential.
- You may also choose a single-subject program.

- Ask yourself: If middle school weren’t an option, would you choose elementary or high school?
Middle School

- In addition to Liberal Studies, the College of Education also recommends that you obtain certification to teach departmentally in a subject area in one of 3 ways:

  1. State-approved single subject exam: CSET or Praxis/SSAT.
  2. Single Subject Waiver Program (courses).
  3. Introductory Degree Authorization.

- Options 1 and 2 qualify you for the single subject credential upon successful completion of the Multiple Subject Credential Program with Middle Level Certificate

Please call (760) 750-4277 to sign up for a workshop on Degree Authorizations.