E-TPP FAQ

Below you will find answers for frequently asked questions regarding the E-TPP pathway

What is E-TPP Pathway?
The Elementary Teacher Preparation Plan (E-TPP) is an advising pathway for students interested in becoming Elementary school teachers. The pathway places students into 85 units of specific course work that fulfills the Subject Matter Competency requirement for Credential admissions. After successful completion of the Pathway coursework, students will not be required to take the Comprehensive Subject Exam for Teachers (CSET).

The E-TPP Pathway is a CSET Waiver, only. The E-TPP pathway does not guarantee admissions into a Credential program.

What support is available to students on the Pathway?
All students joining the Pathway will be assigned an advisor from the TEACH Advising Hub. Students will have access to their E-TPP advisor throughout the semester. The E-TPP Advisor will meet with students at a minimum, twice a semester during Fall and Spring registration times to ensure students are on track. Students will also receive initial advising to go over any coursework they may have already completed from the Pathway and will work with their E-TPP Advisor to develop and individualized Education Plan for their time at SF State.

Does the E-TPP Pathway fulfill any other Credential requirements?
Yes. Students on the E-TPP pathway will have the opportunity to fulfill Early Field Experience hours through designated coursework in the Pathway. Early Field Experience is classroom observation in the age demographic and subject in which students want to teach. Early Field Experience hours are required for Credential admissions.

Students in the E-TPP Pathway will also fulfill the Education Minor requirements.

Who can join the E-TPP Pathway?
The E-TPP Pathway is currently available to students majoring in Liberal Studies and Child and Adolescent: School Age concentration. We hope to offer more pathway options for other majors soon!

When should I start the E-TPP Pathway?
The ideal time to join the E-TPP Pathway is in your Freshman year, as the Pathway helps to fulfill all Lower and Upper Division GE requirements at SF State. Juniors and Transfer students interested in E-TPP may still be eligible for the Pathway! Please consult the E-TPP Coordinator, Kim Correa (kcorrea@sfsu.edu) to assess your eligibility.

How many units is the E-TPP Pathway?
The E-TPP Pathway is 85 units of specific general education and Major coursework. Students will be able to satisfy their required Lower and Upper Division GE requirements and SF State requirements in the Pathway. There are also several units of integrated Major coursework embedded into the Pathway.

Can I complete Major courses through E-TPP?
Yes. The pathway does embed several units of Major coursework. However, it does not fulfill all Major requirements. Students are responsible for making sure they complete all Major requirements.

What if I don’t want to join the E-TPP pathway? Can I still apply to a Credential program without E-TPP?
Yes, of course! The E-TPP Pathway is an available pathway for students seeking Credential admissions but it is certainly not the only one. The E-TPP pathway is not required for Credential admissions and students can still apply to a Credential program without the Pathway.

For more information on requirements to apply to a Credential program, you may visit the Commission on Teacher Credentialing website here: [https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/cl561c.pdf?sfvrsn=7aab1162_14](https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/cl561c.pdf?sfvrsn=7aab1162_14)

I want to be a Middle or High School teacher. Is there a pathway option for that?
Yes! SF State offer Subject Matter Competency Waivers for students majoring in the subject they plan to teach. For example, students who major in English and want to become a Middle/High School English teacher, may be eligible for the Subject Matter Competency Waiver through their Major.

For more information on which Majors are eligible to obtain this waiver, please visit the website here: [https://gcoe.sfsu.edu/sites/default/files/PDFs/htapp/Subject_Matter_Competency_Packet_121218.pdf](https://gcoe.sfsu.edu/sites/default/files/PDFs/htapp/Subject_Matter_Competency_Packet_121218.pdf)

You can learn more about requirements to become a Secondary Education teacher here: [https://secondaryed.sfsu.edu/prospective-students](https://secondaryed.sfsu.edu/prospective-students)

How do I know which Credential is the right one for me?
There are three types of Credential programs in the State of California. Those programs are the Multiple Subject Credential, which prepares students to become Elementary School teachers. The Single Subject Credential, which prepares students to become Secondary (Middle/High School) teachers. And the Special Education Credential, which prepares students to become Special Education teachers.

To learn more about our Credential programs, visit our website: [https://gcoe.sfsu.edu/](https://gcoe.sfsu.edu/)

I want to join the E-TPP Pathway! How can I get started?
Students interested in joining the E-TPP Pathway should reach out to the E-TPP coordinator, Kim Correa (kcorrea@sfsu.edu) to schedule a Transcript review to assess pathway eligibility and get started!

Where can I learn more about the requirements to become a teacher in the State of California?
To find out more about the requirements to become an Elementary School teacher, click here: [https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/cl561c.pdf?sfvrsn=7aab1162_14](https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/cl561c.pdf?sfvrsn=7aab1162_14)

You can also learn more about our Elementary Education programs here: [https://eed.sfsu.edu/](https://eed.sfsu.edu/)
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