

No-COST TEACHER

In partnership with  **Credentialing Program**

Earn Your Teaching Credential at No-Cost for Tuition, Books and Fees

Through CSEA's No-Cost College Program, CSEA members and their family members can obtain their California Teaching Credential. Attend part or full time on your own schedule as classes are offered online (with the exception of student teaching and fieldwork requirements).



In my high school senior yearbook my future career was to be a teacher. After 18 years as a paraprofessional aide that career is finally becoming true. I feel fortunate because the CSEA No-Cost Program has given me the opportunity to achieve my dream. As a 47 year old adult I want everyone to know it is never too late!"

Shelly Smith – Paraeducator, Madera Unified School District (CSEA Chapter 169)

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How does this program work?

You do not need a degree first to participate. Teacher licensure is part of the Bachelor of Science in Education degree program. Attend part or full time on your own schedule as classes are online. To get started you will complete an interest form, an application, the FAFSA, and have any prior colleges attended submit official transcripts.

Note: Student Teaching and fieldwork requirements are not online and are completed at a participating school district in California.

How does the financial side work? Is it really free?

The benefit is a “last dollar” scholarship” that fills the gap between any federal, state, or employer education grants you receive and the cost of tuition, fees, and e-books. Every applicant is required to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to determine the amount of the scholarship needed. Even if the applicant does not qualify for any FAFSA grants, they will still be eligible for the scholarship to cover costs in full. This includes DACA students.

Note: Test and license application fees are not covered.

Who is your university partner?

Central State University (CSU) in Ohio. CSU is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and is also accredited by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CAEP).

What teaching credentials are available? *

- Multiple Subject
- Education Specialist (Mild/Moderate)

More credential areas will be added as they become available.

**As our partner is in Ohio, you would be doing coursework online and completing student teaching requirements in California. Upon completion of all requirements, you would be earning either an Ohio Resident Educator License, Early Childhood Education (ECE), PK-Grade 3 or an Ohio Resident Educator License, Intervention Specialist (INS) (Mild/Moderate). The ECE license is equivalent to the California Multiple Subject Credential applicable in self-contained classrooms (PK-12). The INS license is equivalent to the California Education Specialist (Mild/Moderate) Credential. Once you have your degree and your Ohio license, you will apply for and obtain your California credential.*

What are the eligibility requirements?

You must be a CSEA member in good standing or be the family member of a member. You must have at least 30 transferable prior college credits with a GPA of 2.2 or better. If you do not have 30 prior college credits, you can get started with a no-cost Associate of Arts degree in Teacher Education through our partner Eastern Gateway Community College.



For all the details on this program and to apply go to csea.com/college.

Do you have questions? Call CSEA Member Benefits at (866) 487-2732 or email memberbenefits@csea.com.

Note: CSEA offers additional no-cost degree programs for you and all your family members. Find out more at www.csea.com/college.