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### **Program Structure and Requirements**

The California SB2042 Preliminary Single Subject Teaching Credential can be earned as part of the undergraduate program, as a post-baccalaureate non-degree program, or as a Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) program. Students may also earn the SDA Basic Secondary certificate while completing the M.A.T. Students should consult with the credential analyst to determine the appropriate program for their needs.

This guidesheet describes the M.A.T. program, which results in a teacher certification as well as a degree. Students interested in the undergraduate program or the post-baccalaureate non-degree program should refer to page EDUC-06.

#### **Prerequisites for Admission**

Candidates must be formally admitted to the program before they will be admitted to methods courses or field experiences.

### > Prerequisites for all applicants

- 1. Complete EDUC 101 Introduction to Teaching and EDUC 101L Classroom Observations.
- 2. Demonstrate basic skills by meeting the proficiency requirement.
- 3. Demonstrate Subject Matter Competency met by:
  - a) Completion of coursework, as verified by a Commission-approved program of professional preparations that addresses each of the commission-adopted domains of the applicable subject matter requirements.
  - b) Successful completion of an academic major in the subject you will teach (SS Ed Code 44257(a) & MS Liberal Studied Ed Code 44282)
  - c) Pass the California Subject Exam for Teachers (CSET) in the subject you will teach.
- Obtain a Certificate of Clearance from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing to verify criminal record clearance.
- Submit official documentation demonstrating completion of a four-year bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited institution of higher education.
- 6. Demonstrate a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
- 7. Submit the complete program application as follows:
  - a) Application form
  - b) Advisor Interview
  - c) Personal Statement
  - d) Recommendation
  - e) Official transcripts for all college work
  - f) Basic Skills verification
  - g) Certificate of Clearance (criminal record check)
  - h) Verification of subject matter competency
  - i) SDA church membership verification (if a SDA member)
- 8. Complete the admissions interview with the Credential Analyst.

### Requirements for Graduation with the M.A.T.

To receive the M.A.T. with the Single-Subject specialization, students must meet the following requirements:

 Complete the program coursework (46 credits) for the M.A.T. All courses must be completed at the graduate level. Exception: One undergraduate course may be transferred in

- to the Basic Core section.
- 3. Demonstrate a minimum overall graduate GPA of 3.0 with no grade lower than B-.
- Successfully submit and present the California Teaching Performance Expectations (TPEs) portfolio to the faculty and other educators.

### **Coursework Requirements**

| ➤ Prerequisite Coursework (3 hours)     |                                   |     |  |  |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----|--|--|
| EDUC 101+L                              | Intro to Teaching+Classroom Obsv  | 2+1 |  |  |
| ➤ Basic Core (22 hours)                 |                                   |     |  |  |
| EDUC 532                                | Teaching with Technology          | 3   |  |  |
| EDUC 533                                | Educational Psychology            | 4   |  |  |
| EDUC 535                                | Moral Dimensions of               |     |  |  |
|   | Teaching & Learning               | 3   |  |  |
| EDUC 536                                | The Multicultural Classroom       | 3   |  |  |
| EDUC 539                                | ELL Pedagogy                      | 3   |  |  |
| EDUC 540                                | Exceptional Children/Classroom    | 4   |  |  |
| EDUC 577                                | Classroom Management              | 3   |  |  |
| ➤ Instructional Methods Core (31 hours) |                                   |     |  |  |
| EDUC 558                                | Literacy in the Content Areas     | 3   |  |  |
| EDUC 561                                | Middle School Teaching Strategies | 4   |  |  |
| EDUC 562                                | Secondary Content Area            |     |  |  |
|   | Teaching Strategies               | 4   |  |  |
| EDUC 591                                | STS: TPA Cycle 1                  | 1   |  |  |
| EDUC 592                                | STS: TPA Cycle 2                  | 1   |  |  |
| EDUC 594 (561L)                         | Middle School Field Experience    | 1   |  |  |
| EDUC 594 (562L)                         | High School Field Experience      | 1   |  |  |
| EDUC 594                                | Pre-Session Student Teaching      | 3   |  |  |

#### > Additional Requirements

**EDUC 594** 

**EDUC 598** 

HLED 166 Health Education (2)

Complete the U.S. Constitution requirement

Take HIST 134+135 or PLSC 124 or HIST 350 or pass the constitution examination

Full-Time Student Teaching

STS: Culminating Teaching Experience 1

Complete an ARC or AHA CPR course (infant/child/adult)
Pass the CALTPA- California Teaching Performance Assessment

#### **Requirements for the Teaching Credential**

To be recommended for the California SB2042 Preliminary Single Subject Teaching Credential, candidates must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution, and have completed satisfactorily all the course work, field work, and examinations as listed.

### **Requirements for SDA Certification**

To be recommended for the SDA Basic Secondary certificate, candidates must complete the following additional requirements: 16 hours of religion coursework, including RELT 205 or 220, RELH 360, and 3 hours of RELB coursework

EDUC 568+L K-12 Bible & Practicum (recommended but not required for the SDA Basic Secondary certificate.)

These SDA requirements are not part of the M.A.T. degree, but may be completed concurrently or transferred in from the bachelor's degree program.

# **Pacific Union College**

## **Secondary Teaching Credential: Master of Arts in Teaching**

2025-2026

### **Student Learning Outcomes**

#### Students can:

- Engage and support all students in learning.
- Create and maintain effective environments for student learning.
- Understand and organize subject matter for student learning.
- Plan instruction and design learning experiences for all students.
- Assess student learning.
- Develop as a professional educator.
- Integrate faith and learning (SDA credential candidates only).
- Conduct academic research.\*
- Demonstrate educational leadership.\*
- \* Denotes learning outcomes for the MAT that are differentiated from the credential program.

### **Occupational Information**

#### What can I do with this program?

Candidates who complete the single-subject credential program become middle or high school teachers. The M.A.T. can also qualify candidates for more advanced-level positions within schools.

#### **Additional Education Required?**

Holders of CA preliminary teaching credentials are expected to complete a state-approved Teacher Induction to maintain and upgrade their credentials.

The M.A.T. is a terminal degree and does not provide a foundation for further graduate study in a doctoral program.

#### **Public Sector vs. Denominational?**

Candidates can find employment in SDA, public, or private schools.

#### Job Outlook

The job outlook for teachers is excellent as the demand for teachers is expected to increase. The Education Department provides a placement service that assists candidate's entry into the teaching profession. Part of this service includes arranging for interviews with prospective employers during the program.

#### **Scholarships**

The Adventist Mission Scholarship is available to incoming freshman and transfer students to earning an SDA teaching credential. A variety of additional scholarships are available to credential candidates during their final quarter of student teaching. Students interested in public school employment may inquire about the Golden State Teacher Grant Program.

#### **For More Information**

Website: www.puc.edu/education

For scholarship information, visit www.puc.edu/scholarships.

### **Sample Plan**

| First Year                                 | F   | w   | S   |
|--|-----|-----|-----|
| Moral Dimensions of Teaching & Learning    | 3   | -   | -   |
| ELL Pedagogy                               | 3   | -   | -   |
| Middle School Teaching Strategies          | 4   | -   | -   |
| Middle School Field Experience             | 1   | -   | -   |
| STS: TPA: Cycle I                          |     | 1   | -   |
| Classroom Management                       | 3   | -   | -   |
| Optional: Religion Course for SDA Certif   | (3) | -   | -   |
| Multicultural Classroom                    | -   | 3   | -   |
| Exceptional Children in the Classroom      | -   | 4   | -   |
| Secondary Content Area Teaching Strategies | -   | 4   | -   |
| High School Field Experience               | -   | 1   | -   |
| Health Education (if needed)               | -   | (2) | -   |
| Optional: Religion Course for SDA Certif   | -   | (3) | -   |
| Teaching with Technology                   | -   | -   | 3   |
| Educational Psychology                     | -   | -   | 4   |
| Literacy in the Content Areas              | -   | -   | 3   |
| Optional K-12 Bible Methods for SDA Certif | -   | -   | (3) |
| Optional: Religion Course for SDA Certif   | -   | -   | (3) |
|  | 13  | 14+ | 10+ |

#### Summer

Pre-session Student Teaching Experience 3
Optional: Adventist Heritage (4) for SDA certification
Optional: Additional religion course (3) for SDA certification

| Second Year                          | F  | W | S |
|--------------------------------------|----|---|---|
| Full Time Student Teaching/Secondary |    | - | - |
| STS: Culminating Teaching Experience |    | - |   |
| STS: TPA Cycle 2                     |    |   |   |
|                                      | 14 |   |   |

Participate in an Exit Presentation of the candidate's portfolio with the faculty and other educators.

Participate in the Exit Interview with the Credential Analyst and submit the required paperwork and verifications.

Submit a graduation application to the PUC Records Office at the start of the quarter when the program will be completed.

#### **Prerequisites for Full-Time Student Teaching**

Candidates must meet extensive prerequisites prior to participation in the full-time student teaching experience. Please consult with the Credential Analyst for additional information.

#### **Restrictions on Transfer Coursework**

A maximum of one methods course without fieldwork may be taken by correspondence or directed study if approved by the department. Methods courses with fieldwork may not be taken by correspondence or directed study. Methods courses with fieldwork being transferred will require the fieldwork to be completed at Pacific Union College.