

Meeting Subject Matter through Major

INFORMATION AND DIRECTIONS

Please read the directions carefully. **Many majors will not qualify for a major match.**

Note: This verification is only guaranteed to be accepted at CSUDH. Other credential programs may wish to independently verify subject matter.

With the passing of AB 130, it is possible to meet **subject matter** through a major that matches the majors specified in the legislation.

- The major match should be done by the approved teacher education program *where you will be completing your credential* as the credential analyst of that institution must verify the major match when recommending you for a credential at the end of your program.
- The majors (BA/BS/MA/MS) must have been conferred by a regionally accredited university and ***the academic degree major must match the subject area of the credential being sought.***

This option is currently available for candidates who have completed an academic degree in a major that exactly matches one of those identified in the law as indicated below:

Subject Matter for Multiple Subjects: Liberal Studies degrees as well as Liberal Studies degrees that include any focus or concentration in the title are the only major that qualifies for the major match with multiple subjects. Examples include, but are not limited to, *Liberal Studies: Urban Education* and *Liberal Studies: Elementary Education*. Subject Matter for multiple subjects may be used for a multiple subjects credential or for an Education Specialist credential.

Education Specialist Credential (Special Ed) may meet subject matter for multiple subjects or any of the single subject credentials areas.

Single Subject Credentials: The major must be an exact degree/credential subject match in one of the subjects named in Education Code section [44257\(a\)](#). The credential areas that the CSUDH Teacher Education Division offers are:

- Art
- Dance--TED does not currently offer the credential but working on submitting to CTC
- English
- World Language (in any of the languages for which there is a credential. For example, a major in Spanish would meet subject matter for World Language: Spanish)
- Mathematics
- Music

- Physical Education (May say Kinesiology if it also says Physical Education as part of the degree.)
- Science (including Biology, Chemistry, Geoscience or Earth and Space Science, and Physics)
- Social Science—Right now, BA must say “Social Science.” History is not approved at this time. Candidates will need to do transcript review when it is available.
- Theater-- TED does not currently offer the credential but working on submitting to CTC

At this time, the Commission will **also accept applied majors in the single subject credential areas** (e.g., Applied Mathematics, Applied Physics) and exact majors in one of the single subject areas that may have additional modifiers (e.g., Biology: Environmental Biology; Art: Art History; and Physical Education: Kinesiology).

Directions:

1. Using the required **Subject Matter by Major form**, complete all personal information at the top.
2. Order or gather **official transcripts** from the university that conferred the degree. The conferral is usually at the top or end of the transcript. Official transcripts must be unencrypted when uploaded; therefore, it is recommended that you have any electronic transcripts sent to yourself, so that you can download them appropriately before you upload and submit them. **Unofficial transcripts can be used for degrees granted by CSUDH.**
3. **Create a folder** on your computer and **label it** with your First Initial, Last Name followed by the subject matter you are pursuing (e.g., ttoro_English or mdominguez_multiplesubjects).
4. Save the Major Match Form and your transcripts in the folder
5. Upload the folder to the Major Match Subject Matter Evaluation Dropbox found at <https://www.dropbox.com/request/Jum1bisAIYZTkSdS3GGe>

Plan ahead as processing may take several weeks!