

# Step 3: Credential Application

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To be eligible for a credential, candidates must demonstrate the following:

- Successful completion of coursework (competency on each student learning outcome, a grade of *B-* or better on each credential course, earned credit in clinical practice coursework).
- Evaluation of required assignments in the division's assessment tool (Watermark's™ Student Learning & Licensure).
- Proficiency in the Teaching Performance Expectations (TPEs).
- Passage of all state-required examinations, as follows:
  - Passage of the RICA examination or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov>)-required literacy assessment is required for candidates who wish to become credentialed for teaching multiple subjects or special education.
  - Passage of CalTPA (Instructional Cycle 1 and Instructional Cycle 2) is required for candidates who wish to become credentialed for teaching multiple subjects or a single subject.
  - Passage of Education Specialist CalTPA (Instructional Cycle 1 and Instructional Cycle 2) for candidates who wish to become credentialed for teaching students with mild to moderate support needs or extensive support needs.
- Completion of all other credential requirements.
- For integrated bachelor's/credential candidates, the bachelor's degree from Azusa Pacific University must be conferred.

It is the candidate's responsibility to submit a credential application through the Office of Credentials (<https://www.apu.edu/education/resources/credentials/>) upon completion of a credential program to receive their California educator credential. This request may be submitted to the credentials office up to one month before completion of all credential requirements.