



Early Completion Intern Option (ECO) For Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials

The Early Completion Option (ECO) is intended to provide individuals who have requisite skills and knowledge an opportunity to challenge the course work portion of a Multiple or Single Subject Intern Program. In lieu of coursework, candidates must demonstrate pedagogical skills through a performance assessment while in a Commission-approved intern program.

To be eligible for enrollment in the Early Completion Program, candidates must meet the following criteria:

PART 1: Early Completion Option Prerequisites

1. Pass the National Evaluation Series (NES) Assessment of Professional Knowledge (APK):
 - Elementary (Test code 051) for Multiple Subjects candidates or
 - Secondary (Test code 052) for Single Subject candidates
 - Note:
 - The commission adopted the national benchmark passing score (a scaled score of 220) for both of the NES assessments (APK 051 and APK 052).
 - Examination scores on the NES APK assessments have a five-year period of validity to be used towards a credential within that time frame.
2. Enroll in TCSJ Intern Credential Program.
3. **Within the first four months** of the Program, pass CalTPA Cycle 1 on the first attempt. **Please note that TPA Cycle 1 must be completed, submitted and scored, prior to Enrollment in ECO.**
4. Meet with your program advisor (see bottom of page) to review the remaining requirements and sign an ECO Advisement Form. All remaining requirements must be met within the academic year.

PART 2: Early Completion Option Program Requirements

1. Pass CalTPA Cycle 2 on the first attempt, **within the academic year**.
2. Pass the Reading Instruction Competence Assessment (RICA), if applicable. *RICA is required for Multiple Subjects Credential candidates only.*
3. Complete a foundational computer technology course work that includes general and specialized skills in the use of computers in educational settings.
4. Pass all terms of Supervision required. *All interns are required to receive support and supervision while working on an intern credential. Support and Supervision are required until the candidate is eligible to apply for their preliminary credential.*
5. Maintain required Support Logs until eligible to apply for the preliminary credential. Interns are required to log a minimum of five hours of support weekly, including general support and support for English Learners. *All interns are required to receive support and supervision while working on an intern credential. Support and Supervision are required until the candidate is eligible to apply for their preliminary credential.*
6. Possess a valid Adult, Child & Infant CPR Certification that meets the guidelines of the American Red Cross or the American Heart Association at the time of processing the Preliminary Credential.