

## Accelerated Collaborative Teacher Residency (ACT-R) Program Special Education-Moderate/Severe (MS) Disabilities

### ACT-R MAY BE FOR YOU!

**Offered collaboratively by California State University Northridge (CSUN) and the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD):** ACT-R is a two-semester Credential Program offered collaboratively by CSUN and LAUSD. The program prepares teachers to serve students with disabilities in high need schools. Candidates obtain a credential in one year through full-time study as a teacher in residence. Candidates in ACT-R are eligible for a stipend of up to \$15,000 through a grant funded by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. Opportunities are available for substitute teaching. Program completers must commit to teaching in LAUSD for a minimum of four years.

### WHY JOIN THE ACT-R PROGRAM?

- Integrate theory and practice through the shared expertise of LAUSD and CSUN personnel
- Practice, reflect on, and improve skills under the close supervision of an accomplished mentor
- Develop a strong network of professional support
- Gain expertise in serving diverse students in high need schools
- Participate in a teaching community
- Facilitate collaborative and inclusive practices in local schools

### PARTICIPATE IN AN AWARD WINNING PROGRAM

- Orfalea Initiative Grant Award, supporting neurodevelopmental methodology
- Urban Impact Award
- Quality of Education Award
- Teacher Quality Partnership Residency Grant Award

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Complete application for ACT-R Program: <https://www.csun.edu/eisner-education/accelerated-collaborative-teacher-preparation-program/application>
2. Complete online CSUN graduate admissions application: <http://www.calstate.edu/apply>
3. Complete Credential Program application: <https://www.csun.edu/eisner-education/credential-office/program-applications>

### ACT NOW!

**Application Deadline: July 1, 2019 or until spaces are filled**  
**Residencies begin in mid-August, 2019**  
**ACT-R courses begin August 26, 2019**

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**ACT-R Education Specialist Credential Program: Moderate/Severe Disabilities (39 units)**  
Meets Commission Standards that include English learner authorization

	<b>Fall Semester (21 units)</b>		<b>Spring Semester (18 units)</b>	
<b>Core</b>	ELPS 541A SPED 541B	Introduction to Teaching in Urban Schools (1+2 units)	ELPS 542A SPED 542B	Meeting the Needs of All Students in Urban Schools (2+1 units)
<b>Specialization</b>	SPED 504	Teaching Diverse Learners with Moderate/Severe Disabilities (3 units)	SPED 505	Curriculum and Instruction for Diverse Learners with MS Disabilities (3 units)
	SPED 640	Physical and Multiple Disabilities (3 units)	SPED 416	Educating Diverse Learners with Disabilities and Working with Their Families (3 units)
	SPED 581	Augmentative and Alternative Communication (3 units)		
	SPED 406	K-12 Literacy Instruction for Diverse Learners with Disabilities (3 units)	EED 565M	Mathematics Curriculum & Methods (3 units)
	SPED 402	Behavioral Assessment and Positive Behavioral Supports (3 units)		
<b>Fieldwork (600 hours)</b>	SPED 403MS	Early Field Experience and Seminar (3 units) (160 hours = 10 hours/week for 16 weeks)	SPED 580MS/ SPED 580S	Student Teaching and Seminar with a grade of "B" or better (6 units)  3 days/week for 7 weeks (114 hours) and 4 days/week full time for 14 weeks (approximately 336 hours)

Admission requirements: A partial list of requirements is shown below. For a complete list and description of admission requirements see credential application at <http://www.csun.edu/eisner-education/credential-office/applications>.

- Bachelor's degree from accredited institution
- 45 hours of early field experience in chosen specialization with verification form completed
- Approved subject matter program or passage of CSET exam
- Basic Skills Requirement - passage of CBEST or CSET with writing section
- Interview with ACT-R Special Education Coordinator

Program requirements that may be met after admission:

- Prior to student teaching: Writing Proficiency Requirement (CBEST writing score of 41 or better, score of 10 or better on the UDWP Exam, approved course with a "C" or better, or CSET writing requirement) and CPR
- Prior to submitting credential request form: Passage of RICA, U.S. Constitution

Visit the ACT-R Program website: <https://www.csun.edu/eisner-education/accelerated-collaborative-teacher-preparation-program/act-r>