

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LONG BEACH

College of Education Distinctions 2022-2023

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CSULB is a university of talented and diverse students that consistently ranks among the top public universities in the West (*U.S. News & World Report*) and is one of the “Best Value” public universities in the nation (*The Princeton Review’s “America’s Best Value Colleges”*). CSULB’s College of Education (CED) offers nationally renowned student-centered programs and a globally engaged academic environment.

Prominent Rankings & Awards

The CED prepares students for teaching and educational service at all grade levels. In addition to certificate programs and a variety of teaching and service credentials, the CED offers a B.A. in Liberal Studies, an M.A. in Education, two M.S. degrees (Special Education & Counseling), and an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership.

The CED’s SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union UTEACH (Urban Teacher Education Academy in a Clinical Home) is a residency program where students work alongside teachers for an entire school year. Future teachers are taught in a guided clinical classroom setting and are provided support from university faculty and school-based personnel.

The CED’s Community Clinic for Counseling & Educational Services (CCCES) has served as a primary training site for programs in Counseling, Marriage and Family Therapy, Reading/Language Arts, School Psychology and Special Education since 1969. The CCCES offers educational and psychological services to school-aged children, adults and families in the local community.

CSULB’s CED is leading a statewide consortium of CSU campuses in training new teachers, counselors and administrators to become leaders in Linked Learning Pathways, an educational approach that emphasizes career-based learning and comprehensive student-support services.

CED alumni include nationally recognized teachers, counselors and educational leaders. Alum Chris Steinhauser is Superintendent of the Broad Award-winning Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD). Reading and Language Arts alum Sylvia Padilla won the White House Champion of Change Award. English literature alum Erin Gruwell wrote *The Freedom Writers Diary*—inspiring Richard LaGravenese’s 2007 film adaptation of the same name. Alum Dr. Brian McDaniel was named one of the five California “Teachers of the Year.” Tiffany Le, a school counseling alum, was selected as an “Emerging Leader” in 2020 by the California Association of School Counselors.

The CSULB Caminos Project aims to increase the number of Latinx students who enter undergraduate majors for education and teaching. The project also guides CED alumni in practicing educational effectiveness and cultural competency to promote learning in diverse scholastic environments.

CED alumni and LBUSD administrators, Bob Ellis and Barbara Seelgen, established a \$1.4 million bequest that funded \$63,000 worth of scholarships for students earning their credentials.

In 2021, CSULB was elevated to Doctoral/Professional University status by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education, the leading recognition for institutions that confer research/scholarship doctoral degrees.

COE was awarded 1st in the CSU system with 276 Single Subject Credentials granted to students and 3rd in the state for Initial Credentials granted.

With over 100 clinical practice partnerships, students in the COE gain invaluable hands-on experience with faculty mentors and skilled practitioners who help provide real-world experience enhancing classroom instruction.

COE partners with LBUSD and has launched a multi-year initiative to recruit, prepare, and place more teachers of color in LBUSD classrooms. The Teachers for Urban Schools Initiative prepares teachers who are committed to improving life outcomes for students in urban schools and who reflect the demographics and shared lived experiences of students in our local schools.

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