

Liberal Studies Program

Liberal Studies provides a rich cross-disciplinary liberal arts program of study for the **field of Education**. There are two primary program pathways within the program that students must select from for graduation.

BA Pathway	ITEP Pathway
<p>The BA pathway is the traditional teacher education program where students complete their Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies. After completion of the B.A, they may continue their education as a post-bac student and complete a teaching credential at CSULB or at another university.</p>	<p>The Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP) combines the study of academic subject matter for elementary school teaching with professional preparation & student teaching. Completion of ITEP includes both a Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies and Teaching Credential(s).</p>

Comparison in Educational Experience & Credential Admissions

BA Pathway	VS.	ITEP Pathway
<p>104 Units of Core Requirements 12 Units Concentration/Subject Matter Courses 4 Units of Electives</p> <p>120 units minimum for BA</p>	<p>Graduation Requirements</p>	<p>Multiple Subject Credential Program ITEP 104 Units of Core Requirements 31 Units Minimum for Credential Program</p> <p>Urban Dual Credential Program ITEP 84 units of Core Requirements 51 Units for Credential Program</p> <p>135 units minimum for BA + Credential(s)</p>
<p>4 Years</p>	<p>Average Program Length</p>	<p>4-5 Years</p>
<p>“Post-Bac” Pathway on Credential Application</p>	<p>Credential Pathway</p>	<p>“ITEP” Pathway on Credential Application</p>
<p>Reapply to CSULB as entering post-baccalaureate applicant</p>	<p>University Application Status</p>	<p>Applicants are continuing students and do not need to re-apply to CSULB</p>
<p>Receive a new, later registration date/time for the first term</p>	<p>Course Registration Status</p>	<p>Maintain registration priority in Senior Standing</p>
<p>31 post-bac units</p>	<p>Post-Baccalaureate Credits</p>	<p>Partial post-bac units (may impact future salary earnings)</p>
<p>Post-baccalaureate/credential tuition prices</p>	<p>Tuition</p>	<p>Undergraduate tuition prices</p>
<p>Complete in one semester, full-time (exception: UTEACH option for MSCP or UDCP)</p>	<p>Student Teaching</p>	<p>Complete in one or two semesters alongside remaining coursework</p>