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Single Subject Program

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➜ Engage and support a wide range of students in learning

➜ Create learning environments that are inclusive, culturally responsive, healthy and safe

➜ Organize subject matter and learning sequences to engage students in creativity, inquiry and problem solving

➜ Use, collect and analyze student assessment data from multiple measures to plan and strengthen teaching and learning

➜ Use technology to achieve educational goals for students

➜ Be reflective practitioners, recognize personal biases, identify areas for growth and contribute to the field of education

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2. Select the Program to which you wish to apply. The Single Subject Program is a Graduate Teaching Credential program. You can only apply to one program at Cal Poly at a time, but you can change the program at any time before submitting your application.

3. Complete the Four Quadrants of the application:

1. Personal Information
INCLUDES
➜ Legal and preferred name
➜ Legal sex and gender orientation
➜ Current contact information and permanent address
➜ Citizenship/residency information
➜ Race/ethnicity selections
➜ Language proficiency
➜ Current military and academic status
➜ History of academic infractions
➜ Parent education level

2. Academic History
INCLUDES
➜ History of all colleges attended (include community college, summer and distance courses)
➜ List of any related or required courses currently in progress or planned (courses not included on your transcript)
➜ GPAs
➜ Standardized test scores for ACT or SAT

3. Supporting Information
INCLUDES
➜ Information about employment, internship and volunteer experiences
➜ Upload of Basic Skills Requirement documentation (or qualifying ACT/SAT)
➜ Upload of content area CSET examination scores
➜ Upload of Certificate of Clearance
➜ Upload of Early Field Experience evidence
➜ Upload of clear tuberculosis test

4. Program Materials
INCLUDES
➜ Cover letter, submitted under supplemental materials
➜ Upload of all unofficial transcripts
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