

SINGLE SUBJECT CREDENTIAL PROGRAM

Program Structure

The Single Subject Credential Program at the Kalmanovitz School of Education conforms to the California Standards for the Teaching Profession. Those who complete the program are qualified for a Preliminary Credential, which authorizes teaching in public/private schools. Two supervised teaching placements expose students to diversified cultural socioeconomic populations. An experienced master teacher and a knowledgeable college supervisor support the professional clinical experiences of every teacher candidate.



Admissions

Applications are accepted on a year-round basis to begin the Single Subject Credential Program in either the Fall or Spring terms. An appointment with an Admissions Counselor is recommended (call 925.631.4700 to schedule).

All of the following are required for an application to be complete:

- A completed application form and application fee. (Students may apply online at: www.applyweb.com/apply/smcocsoe/).
- A statement of a prospective student's professional goals, included with their application.
- Registration for the California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST). (To register online, visit: www.cbest.nesinc.com).

- Three letters of recommendation from professionals who can evaluate a prospective student's potential to be a teacher.
- A baccalaureate degree (in any major except education) from an approved institution.
- Two official copies of transcripts from all colleges attended.
- Preparation for the California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET) Exam. Note: A passing score is required before a student may enroll in Supervised Teaching I and II.
- Results of a tuberculin test, which is required for work in U.S. public schools.

Course of Study	Units
Foundations in Secondary Education	3
Teaching and Learning I	8
Social and Psychological Foundations of Education	3
Foundations of Literacy	1
Instructional Design	2
Technology in the Classroom	2
Teaching and Learning II	11
Universal Access to Education	3
Health Education	1
An additional six units are required for the BCLAD Emphasis Credential:	
CLAD 510	3
CLAD 520	3

"I learned how to teach and how to be an administrator from actual teachers and administrators. That's the best part of being at SMC, you're taught by people who are actually in the trenches. They share with you real scenarios, real documents and real procedures. The curriculum was rigorous but practical; the assignments prepared me for the work that I encounter in schools. I'm using my documents and reports from SMC as templates in my professional career. And the requirement that all student teachers must teach in a Title I school prepares them for the reality of schools today. Currently I'm a Vice Principal at a middle school. Everything I learned in the Educational Leadership Program is applicable in my day to day job. My SMC training has given me the tools to stand apart from others. I feel like I'm still part of the School of Education community. I speak to my instructors and cohort classmates often."

- Kelly Johnson, Single Subject Credential, Administrative Credential and Master's Program Graduate, Vice-Principal, Windemere Ranch Middle School in San Ramon, California.

EDUCATION





Kalmanovitz School of Education at Saint Mary's College of California

INCLUSIVE, GLOBAL, TRANSFORMATIVE

Here at the Kalmanovitz School of Education at Saint Mary's, we are guided by the Lasallian tradition: "Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve." Our faculty is committed to the core principles of social justice, quality education and inclusive community, emphasizing the skills of critical thinking, precise communication and creative problem-solving. We offer challenging opportunities for students to experience professional practice.

Our students are:

- Challenged by a curriculum that integrates research-based practices with opportunities for experience in professional settings
- Guided by an interdisciplinary faculty that excels in teaching, scholarship and service
- Supported by a staff attuned to the unique needs of active professionals
- Networked with a cohort of peers who bring diverse perspectives to the exploration of real-world problems
- Transformed by learning experiences that emphasize inquiry, reflection, ethical values and social justice

The Kalmanovitz School of Education is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and offers well-respected credential programs approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) and the American Montessori Society. The Master of Arts Degree in Counseling with an emphasis in School Counseling (K-12) or School Psychology (3 yrs-12th grade) fulfills the requirements for the California Pupil Personnel Services (PPS) Credential. The College is a member of the California Council on the Education of Teachers and the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education.

Financial Aid & Scholarships

The Financial Aid process begins by filing a free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at: www.fafsa.ed.gov (Saint Mary's College Title IV code is: #001302). Prospective students should also complete a Saint Mary's Financial Aid application, available on Saint Mary's website. To ensure maximum consideration for all programs, students are asked to contact the Financial Aid Office at: 925.631.4370, or the Kalmanovitz School of Education at: 925.631.4149 with any questions.

Twice a year, in the fall and spring, all Kalmanovitz School of Education students have the opportunity to apply for scholarships distributed by the school. Students are encouraged to research and apply for other scholarships that may be available through outside organizations or entities.

A loan forgiveness program (APLE), providing financial assistance for future teachers is offered by the State of California. Information on this program is available from the California Student Aid Commission at: www.csac.ca.gov.