



Crosscultural, Language, and Academic Development (CLAD) Certificate: by exam only

What will this authorize me to do?

Note: New statute allows individuals to earn either an English Learner Authorization that will be added directly to their prerequisite teaching credential or a CLAD Certificate. The scope and content of the CLAD Certificate and the English learner authorization are the same. **This online application process may only be used to apply for the CLAD Certificate based on examination.** Individuals who wish to obtain the English learner authorization instead of the CLAD Certificate or apply for the CLAD Certificate using coursework must either be recommended by their university or apply directly to the Commission with a paper application, depending on how they qualify. For information on routes to qualify for the CLAD Certificate that are not available through this online direct application process, please reference [CL-628C](#).

Online Direct Application Requirements Checklist

Submit this checklist and the required supporting materials listed below within thirty (30) calendar days of completing the online portion of your application for the CLAD Certificate. Late submission of supporting materials will result in the application being denied (5 California Code of Regulations Section 80487).

Print and mail this checklist, the Online Direct Application Coversheet, and all supporting materials to:

Commission on Teacher Credentialing
Attn: Online Direct Applications
1900 Capitol Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95811-4213

Requirements checklist for the CLAD Certificate:

- Include this checklist;
- Online Direct Application Coversheet (this will be available for printing after completing the Online Direct Application);
- Possess a valid prerequisite credential: a California teaching credential, Speech-Language Pathology or Clinical Rehabilitative Services Credential with a Special Class Authorization, School Nurse Services Credential with a Special Teaching Authorization in Health, Visiting Faculty Permit, Children's Center Permit (excluding emergency), or Child Development Permit (excluding Assistant and Associate Permit) that authorizes the holder to provide instruction to pupils in preschool, grades K–12, or classes primarily organized for adults;

The following documents are **not** appropriate prerequisite credentials or permits: Emergency Permits, Provisional Internship Permits, Short-Term Staff Permits, District Intern Credentials, University Internship Credentials, Exchange Credentials, Sojourn Certificated Employee Credentials, or Services Credentials that do not include a special class authorization.

- Original (official) transcripts showing an earned bachelor's degree or higher from a [regionally accredited](#) college or university (if not already on file at the Commission) to satisfy the CLAD second Language Requirement. Other options for satisfying this requirement are available, but may not be used for this online application process. For information on these other options and how to apply, please refer to [CL-628C](#);
- Applicable documentation as required for the Professional Fitness Questions and

Verify the following:

- Passing scores on Tests 1, 2, and 3 of the California Teacher of English Learners (CTEL) Examination. Scores used for certification purposes may be no older than five years from the individual passed exam date.

Certification

I verify I have met the requirements, printed this checklist and am ready to complete the Online Direct Application Process, which will require me to make a nonrefundable payment by credit card.

At the conclusion of the Online Direct Application Process, print the Online Direct Application Coversheet.

Authorization

CLAD Certificates authorize instruction to English Learners (EL). For a summary of all documents that authorize instruction to EL students, see the Serving English Learners leaflet, [CL-622](#). Types of Instruction to English Learners Authorized by the CLAD: ~~Instruction for English Language Development (ELD), and Specially~~ ~~Academic Instruction Delivered in English (SDAIE).~~

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