PROGRAM SPONSOR ALERT

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Subject: Single Subject Methodologies and Appropriate Credential Recommendations	

Summary

In an effort to avoid processing delays that could impact your program and credential candidates and to ensure accuracy in the list of approved programs, it is imperative that all institutions review their listing of approved Single Subject Methodologies. This alert clarifies the Commission's expectations related to the responsibility of institutions to review the approved programs list for accuracy and to recommend single subject credential candidates for approved Single Subject Methodologies only.

Background

Institutions approved to offer Single Subject (SS) teacher preparation programs were asked to submit a current list of single subject methodologies offered through their approved programs. The list of approved Single Subject Methodologies for each institution has been added to the approved programs listing (public approved programs listing and the Credential Information Guide (CIG) listing) and will serve as the guide for granting SS credentials, including intern credentials.

As stated in Section 8B of the SB 2042 Multiple and Single Subject Preliminary Credential Program Standards: "In the subject to be authorized by the single subject teaching credential, the preliminary teacher preparation program provides substantive instruction and supervised practice that effectively prepare each candidate for a SS Credential to plan and deliver content-specific instruction . . . " The Candidate is to "learn specific teaching strategies that are effective in supporting them to teach the state-adopted academic content . . ." in the credential being pursued.

To ensure that programs are addressing the required strategies for each specific content area, all SS programs must respond to the areas in Standard 8B that represent the programs they offer and

the areas in which they recommend candidates for a credential. The Resources section of this alert provides the urls to the CIG webpage (CIG password required) and the list of approved Single Subject Methodologies for your institution. The Methodologies are also available on the public version of the approved programs webpage but institutions should always access this information through the CIG.

Updating Single Subject Methodologies
There are thirteen SS methodology sub-standards in the following areas: Agriculture, Art, Business, English, Health, Home Economics, Industrial and Technology Education, Languages Other than English, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, Science, Social Science.

Below is one example of an institution's approved Single Subject Methodologies as shown on the CIG Approved Programs website.

Single Subject Credential	Expired/Withdrawn/Inactive	Accreditation Date	Internship/District Intern option	BCLAD	Methodologies
2042		5/2003	Intern		Art, English, Languages Other than English, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, Science, Social Science

If after reviewing the list of SS Methodologies currently approved for your institution you wish to submit additional SS Methodologies for approval or if you find an error in the listings, please contact the Commission. For new submissions, a narrative responding to the appropriate portion of Single Subject Standard 8B is required and must be emailed directly to Katie Croy **or** included when the institution submits for Program Assessment. All single subject methodology standards are located in Section 8B: Pedagogical Preparation for Subject-Specific Content Instruction for Single Subject Candidates in the Single Subject Program Standards Handbook.

As a final reminder, programs may only recommend candidates for SS credentials that have approved methodologies listed on the credential website. Recommendations submitted for non-approved SS Methodologies will not be processed and will be returned to the institution. Your review will help ensure that the database is current and inclusive of the correct Single Subject Methodologies.

Resources
  SS Program Standards: http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/STDS-prep-program.html

  CIG Approved Programs: http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/cig2/approved-programs.html

  Public Approved Programs: http://134.186.81.79/fmi/xsl/CTC_apm/recordlist.html

Contact Information:

The Professional Services Division provides a full list of topic specific dedicated email addresses as well as program areas with the most up to date Commission staff member's email address here http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/PSD-contact.html.

Specific credential questions should be directed to credentials@ctc.ca.gov