Application Checklist

☐ Application to the California State University online (Cost: $55)
☐ Official transcripts from all colleges/universities sent to HSU Admissions and Records Office (not required if graduate of HSU). Attach confirmation print-out from online registration.

☐ Application to the SED program (No Cost)
☐ Section 1 Personal Information
☐ Photocopies of transcripts from all colleges and universities (Unofficial transcripts required, even if graduate of HSU)
☐ Section 2a Prerequisites: CPR, Constitution, Technology
☐ Section 2b Required Tests: 1) CSET 2) CBEST
☐ CBEST passed or registered for test date prior to July
☐ CSET passed or registered for test date prior to July
☐ Section 2c Placement Preferences
☐ Section 3 Early Field Experience Documentation
☐ Section 4 Health Verification
☐ Section 5 Experiences and Skills
☐ Section 6 Professional Goal Statement

☐ Section 7 Recommendation forms attached to letters completed by three recommenders
☐ ___________________________(recommender name)
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If your GPA falls below 2.67 or last 60 semester units below 2.75, you must complete the additional low-GPA appeals process:
☐ Signed Appeals Process Page
☐ Proof of Passing CSET
☐ Recommendation forms completed by two faculty members who are not also providing the page 7 recommendation

☐ Application for Certificate of Clearance Completed
☐ Certificate of Clearance Document # __________ Issue Date __________

☐ Photocopied entire application packet for your records

☐ Applicant commitment to attend credential classes beginning mid-August and continue fieldwork through the end of the district school year:

________________________________________
Applicant Signature

Submit the completed application NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1 to:
School of Education Credential Programs Office, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA 95521-8299

See our Tips for Credential Applicants webpage:
http://humboldt.edu/education/programs/credential-programs/tips-for-credential-applicants
Your application to the California State University system is due February 1. This is in addition to the credential program application, which you are currently reading. Please follow the steps below to apply online. Please attach the print-out of your HSU application confirmation to this page. We will not accept your Credential Program application unless you have attached the confirmation print-out of your online CSU application.

Please note that the application is available online only until 5:00 p.m. on February 1, so you need to be certain to apply online to the CSU before the deadline.

1. Log on to: [California State University online](#)
2. Click on the “Apply Online” Tab
3. Select “Humboldt State University Graduate” and click “Start New Application”. Scroll to the very bottom and click “Begin Application”. It is very important for your tuition assessment and financial aid allowance that you apply to the CSU as a graduate student.
4. Follow the directions. Under “Enrollment Plans”, select your “Term” and your “Major Program Objective”.
5. Under Degree/Credential Objective, for “Degree Objective”, select “NONE”.
6. For “Educational Credential Objective”, select the credential program of your choice. For Secondary Education, select “Teaching Credential: Single Subject”.
7. For “Statement of Purpose”, you may write “submitted to the education office”.
8. Please skip the section on Letters of Recommendation.
9. Once complete, print out the confirmation page at the end of your online application.
10. Staple the confirmation to this page.
Humboldt State University
School of Education
Credential Program Application

Applying to: **Secondary Education**  Subject area: ________________ Application Year: ______

Name: ___________________________________________ Social Security Number: __________

Birth date: _____________________ HSU Student ID #: __________________

Formal Name/Previous Names: _______________________________________________________

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**Summer Telephone:**

*Please circle your preferred email address above.*

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Graduation date from college or university: __________ Name of college or university: _______________________

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Estimated overall GPA on a 4.0 scale: ______________

**Note:** If your overall GPA falls below 2.67 and your GPA for the last 60 semester units completed is below 2.75, you must initiate a low-GPA appeal and provide proof of passing the CSET exams, even if you have an approved subject matter program major. Graduate students need to possess at least a minimum 3.0 GPA for their graduate studies.

Are you applying to other teaching credential programs?  No [ ] Yes [ ] Where? ____________________________

Have you previously been admitted to a teacher credential program?  No [ ] Yes [ ] Where? ____________________________

See transcript information on the reverse side.

Attach unofficial transcripts (photocopies) for ALL colleges/universities attended.
Don't miss this!

A Tale of Two Applications:

California State University and Credential Program

Applying to HSU's Admissions and Records Office and applying to the Credential Programs Office are entirely separate procedures, and both are essential for your entrance into our program. Application to HSU costs $55; application to one of our credential programs is free.

After November 1 and before February 1, apply online to HSU on the CSUMentor.edu website using the directions in this application.

Warning: A $55 fee is charged for changing the semester for admission.

Note:

• Will you still be classified "undergraduate" next fall (finishing one or two final courses)? If so, contact HSU's Admissions and Records Office in August. They will help you apply for graduate status for the coming spring semester. In April you will need to preregister for fall classes (to avoid a late fee). Later you will have to petition Admissions and Records to count your fall semester education and credentialing courses toward your credential.

• Are you already a graduate or postbaccalaureate student? Make certain your stated objective (in the Admissions and Records Office) is a teaching credential in the program of your choice (i.e., Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential for EED or Single Subject Teaching Credential for SED). To change your objective, contact the Credential Programs Office. You will need to preregister for fall classes to avoid a late fee. All other credential programs students register as a group at the beginning of fall semester.

Which Transcripts? Where?

If you have graduated from Humboldt State (or soon will):

Your official transcripts are already on file with Admissions and Records. However, for the purpose of screening your application, the Credential Programs Office still needs you to attach to this page:

  • unofficial transcripts (or photocopies) from all schools attended (not just the total of transferable units appearing on your HSU transcripts) and

If you are a graduate of some other college/university (or soon will be):

You must have official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended sent directly to Admissions and Records. If you graduate after your HSU application is submitted, you need to send official transcripts with your BA/BS degree posted directly to the HSU Office of Admissions.

In addition, for the purpose of screening your application, the Credential Programs Office still needs you to attach to this page:

  • unofficial transcripts (or photocopies) from all schools attended

Address for your official transcripts to be sent:

Office of Admissions
Humboldt State University
Arcata, CA 95521
Credential candidates must establish their knowledge of the subject area(s) they wish to teach by completing either the appropriate CSET exams or a waiver-approved baccalaureate subject matter program. (Such programs usually include “Education” or “Teaching” as part of the major name, like English Education, Math Education, etc.) Indicate below which of the following ways you will fulfill subject matter preparation.

Note: In addition to demonstrating subject matter competency via exam or major, all candidates must undergo Subject Matter Departmental Review. For more information, please visit our website.

☐ State Approved Subject Matter Exams

If exams have been passed, attach your test scores to this form.

If exams are pending: You may register online for the CSET at: http://www.cset.nesinc.com. Please attach your registration confirmation to this page. Contact our office with any questions regarding the appropriate tests to take. The May test date is the latest test date that will have results posted by August 1st. Our office must receive your passing scores before the start of fall semester. If you haven’t yet taken the test(s) or you haven’t received confirmation of passing, sign the following statement:

I understand that the Secondary Education Program of Humboldt State University, along with CSU Executive Order 1032, requires that I pass all the CSET examinations in my subject area before beginning the Secondary Education Program at the beginning of August.

Signature: ___________________________ Date(s) you are registered to take the exams: ______________________

-OR-

☐ HSU Subject Matter Program in ________________________________

Please have your subject matter program advisor sign the following statement.

I verify that (student’s name) ____________________________ has completed all the requirements of the CCTC-approved subject matter program at HSU.

_____ needs to complete coursework in order to be eligible to begin the credential program in the fall semester. The candidate is aware of all remaining courses required to complete the program.

If courses are pending, please have your subject matter program advisor attach an additional page listing all outstanding (or currently enrolled) courses required for subject matter program. Sign the following statement:

I understand that the Secondary Education Program of Humboldt State University, in accordance with California State University Executive Order 1032, requires that I complete all courses in my approved subject area program before January 1, prior to full-time student teaching.

Candidate Name: ____________________________ Candidate Signature: ____________________________

Advisor’s Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

-OR-

☐ Subject Matter Program in ____________________________(subject) from another institution.

Submit verification of your completed (or four-fifths completed) subject matter program on the letterhead stationery of your school, signed by a CCTC-approved signatory from your school. Often the proper signature comes from the credential analyst. Call (707) 826-5867 if you have questions regarding the designated official at your school.
Humboldt State University
School of Education Credential Programs

Prerequisites

Technology Competency Verification

Candidates are required to demonstrate entry level computer competency. Please indicate the option you have met or will meet by the second week of August.

☐ Passing grade in EDUC 285 (HSU) [Semester/Year] or EDUC 120 (College of the Sequoias) [Semester/Year]

☐ Passed the CSET: Preliminary Education Technology (PET) exam or San Jose State Tech Exam [Test Date]

☐ CIS Minor posted on transcript from _______________ (college/university name)

☐ Any course with a catalog description explicitly stating the course meets CCTC Level I credential requirements for computer competency is also an equivalent course. Contact the Credential Program Office for verification of equivalency. Please attach a copy of the course description.

Course Name, College Name, and Semester/Year completed: ____________________________

☐ If you have not met this requirement as of the application deadline, please sign the statement below:

To be admitted to an Education Credential Program, I understand that I must verify my technology competency by the second week of August of the credential year.

Signed: ____________________________

CPR

To begin the program, candidates are required to have valid Community CPR (Infant, Child, and Adult) certification taken at an in-person training. Please attach a photocopy of your CPR card or sign the statement below. Once accepted to the program, you will need to present your CPR card in person to our office.

To begin an Education Credential Program fall semester, I understand that I must verify I have current CPR certification.

Signed: ____________________________

U.S. Constitution Course

Indicate below the course you have taken to satisfy the U.S. Constitution requirement.

☐ Passing grade in (circle one) PSCI 110, 210, 359, 410 at HSU [Semester/Year] or PoliSci 10 (CR) [Semester/Year]

☐ Passing grade in an equivalent course from another university. Course: ____________________________ Term/Year: ____________________________

Please attach a copy of the course description so the Credential Office can verify equivalency.

☐ Passed American Government/Constitution Test at a County Office of Education: ____________________________ date

☐ Passing grade on high school American Government AP test ____________________________

Please attach a copy of your high school transcript that shows the test date and score (must be 3, 4, or 5).

☐ If you have not met this requirement as of the application deadline, please sign the statement below:

I understand that I must satisfy the US Constitution requirement before I can be recommended to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing for a teaching credential.

Signed: ____________________________

Accreditation

☐ Check here if your bachelor’s degree is (or will be) from a regionally accredited college/university. All UC and CSU schools, for instance, are regionally accredited. Note: HSU is not responsible for credential denial due to improperly accredited undergraduate work.

I authorize RELEASE of my application materials and credential status information to 1) School of Education faculty/staff, 2) school districts, 3) County Board of Education offices, 4) the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, and 5) other colleges/universities.

Student Signature & Date ____________________________ Printed Name ____________________________
Secondary Education Credential Program

CBEST Required Exam and Placement Preferences

California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST):

CBEST, passed:  Attach your official test score (in a sealed envelope) to this form. If you do not have an official score report in a sealed envelope, you may forward the official email you received from the CBEST to bpc11@humboldt.edu.

CBEST, pending:  You may register online for the CBEST at: http://www.cbest.nesinc.com. Please attach your registration confirmation to this page. Please be sure to have your scores reported to Humboldt State.

Sign the following statement.  I understand that the Secondary Education Program of Humboldt State University requires that I pass the CBEST exam on or before the June test date for the application year.

Signature ___________________________ Date you plan on taking the exam ___________________________

*Depending on your scores on the Early Assessment Program (EAP) Exam or on the CSU English Placement Test (EPT) and Entry Level Math (ELM) exam, you may be exempt from this requirement. On the EAP, you need to score "College Ready" or "Exempt". To use ELM/EPT test scores, you need to score at least 50 on the ELM and 151 or higher on the EPT. You will need to submit an original score report verifying your scores by February 1st along with this application. For more information on this option, contact the credential coordinator:

Student Teaching Placement Preferences

- You may state a preference for any grade 7-12 classroom in a public school in California.
- Student teaching placements are arranged by the Program Coordinator in conjunction with district and school administrators.
- For local placements, candidates should not arrange their own placements. For distance placements, the Program Coordinator is also responsible for arranging placement, but candidates may be asked to connect with the school community during the application process in order to assist in securing a placement.
- Circumstances may not permit the honoring of preferences.
- Candidates must arrange transportation to school sites.
- HSU prohibits assignments in a school attended by the student teacher’s children or direct relatives. If any close relationship exists between a student teacher and a member of a school’s staff or faculty, the Fieldwork Coordinator should be informed prior to a placement being made.
- **It is program policy that student teachers will not be placed at any school they have attended.**

Indicate if you have preference for grade level, location, school, or school district to complete your student teaching:
Before entering the secondary education program, applicants must complete successful field experience with students in departmentalized classrooms in the grade levels in which they plan to teach. Forty-five hours are required.

Option 1: TO MEET THIS REQUIREMENT THROUGH COURSE WORK:

• Course number and university (for instance, "SED 210/410 at Humboldt State," or a similar course from another institution):
• Semester completed (if current, attach proof of registration):
• Number of hours spent in classrooms with linguistically diverse students:

-OR-

Option 2: TO MEET THIS REQUIREMENT ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS:

Have this form completed and signed by the credentialed teacher of record who may not be a family member. Make additional copies if you participated in several classrooms.

I ___________________________ (print teacher name), a single-subject credentialed teacher, verify that ___________________________ (applicant’s name) has completed the hours specified below observing/participating in a secondary classroom in an accredited school.

District: _____________________ School: _____________________ Grade: __________

Hours per week: __________ Total hours: _______________ Hours with linguistically diverse students: ______

Applicant’s responsibilities in the classroom:

Applicant’s potential to become an effective teacher:

_________________________________________ Phone & Email

Signature of Teacher of Record

Note: HSU’s Secondary Education Coordinator must approve this experience and may request additional observation time.

Coordinator’s Signature: ___________________________
All students entering one of our credential programs must verify a current (less than two years old) tuberculosis (TB) test. Credential candidates also need to verify a vaccination for measles, mumps, rubeola and rubella (MMR). You may obtain these vaccinations from the HSU Student Health Center or a private physician or clinic.

Verification must include either the **agency stamp** or an attached statement on **letterhead stationery**. We cannot accept signatures only.

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**You will ALSO need to provide your measles (MMR) documentation to HSU’s Student Health Center in order to register for classes (see admission information in the HSU catalog).**

**Once this page is complete and your vaccinations are verified, please include the original form with your application to the credential program and SUBMIT A COPY TO THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER: Fax #: (707) 826-5042.**

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**Student’s Name (please print clearly)**

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**Student’s Social Security Number or HSU ID #**

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**Measles Vaccination:**

(Rubeola & Rubella)

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**TB Test Results:**

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*(Please Note: TB Tests must be current within two years)*
Type or use software application to recreate questions 1-7. Include your name and "Section 5" in upper right-hand corner, and attach to this page. Your typed responses will be assessed as one of multiple measures of your writing skills. Please limit your responses to one-half of a page per question.

NAME: __________________________

1. Describe any tutoring, youth group work, teacher’s aide, Vista, Peace Corps, or other experiences related to teaching, and how it impacted you.

2. Have you been involved in organized extracurricular activities (clubs, for instance, or student government)? If so, list groups and nature of involvement, and describe how the experience changed your ideas.

3. Have you been involved in community activities (PTA, election work, service organizations, etc.)? If so, list activities and dates, and describe how they affected you.

4. Describe any travel experiences, and how they have affected your worldview.

5. Can you read or speak any language other than English? (Including signed languages.) What is your level of competence?

6. What other skills or experiences (artistic, technical, physical, organizational, etc.) will enhance your performance within the teaching profession, and how will they accomplish that?

7. Describe how past experiences have helped you develop multicultural competencies and have prepared you to work with students and families from diverse ethnic, linguistic, and/or socioeconomic backgrounds.
Write a professional goal statement. In this one to two page essay (typed or computer-generated), include:

1) why you want to become a teacher, and
2) the special attributes you bring to the profession.

In describing your special attributes, you may consider a self-assessment of the following:

a) your oral and written communication skills
b) your responsibility/dependability
c) your openness to working with diverse students
d) your critical thinking abilities
e) your academic competence
f) your initiative, maturity, and emotional stability
g) your leadership, adaptability/flexibility, and seriousness of purpose
h) your relationships with children, families, and colleagues
i) your overall potential to become an excellent teacher

Your professional goal statement will be assessed as one of multiple measures of your writing skills.

Please complete a numerical ranking of these attributes below by circling the appropriate value. Note: Individuals who write a letter of recommendation for you will be asked to complete this same ranking of your personal attributes.

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This is a confidential recommendation for:

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Name of Recommender: ____________________________

The above-named applicant to our program would like you to evaluate her/his potential as a teacher. Please complete a numerical ranking of the attributes listed below by circling the appropriate value. As part of the application process, the applicant supplies a self-assessment of these same attributes.

In addition to this ranking, please type a separate letter of recommendation on your own letterhead stationery. Address the period of your professional relationship with the applicant, and provide specific supporting statements about the applicant’s communication skills, professional conduct, and potential for success as a teacher. Please return both forms to the student in a sealed/signed envelope or directly to Anna Thaler Petersen, SED Program Coordinator, HSU Secondary Education Program, 1 Harpst Street, Arcata, CA 95521, by mid-January for inclusion in her/his admission packet, which is due February 1.

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Signed ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Printed Name ___________________________ Position ___________________________

Location/School ___________________________ Phone ___________________________

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Apply for your Certificate of Clearance online by following this process.

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1. Print one copy of the Live Scan form found here: [Live Scan form (41-LS)](#). Complete your information on the form and take it to a location offering LiveScan electronic fingerprint services (Click [here](#) for a listing of Live Scan locations and information). Humboldt County residents are advised to use the HSU Campus Police Department (located on the ground floor of the Student Business Services Building) for their Live Scan fingerprinting, as it costs less than other Humboldt County agencies.

2. You will be charged a processing fee to the LiveScan operator for your prints to be scanned. **Make sure that the LiveScan operator makes you two copies of the completed form. Keep one for yourself and one for the credential program.**

3. *After* getting fingerprinted, navigate to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing’s Online Service page found [here](#) and complete the Direct Web Application for the Certificate of Clearance. Click [here](#) for step-by-step instructions.

4. You will have to create an account and answer the professional fitness questions. **If you have ANY sort of an arrest record, contact the CTC to find out what additional records you must mail to them.**

5. Submit by credit card the required transaction fee of $37.00 (all online transactions are subject to a $2.00 service fee in addition to the $35.00 application fee). Immediately following the successful submission of the online application, an email will be sent containing a confirmation number. **If you are being asked to pay any amount other than $37.00, you have selected an incorrect certificate title. Use the back button to go back to the Credential Selection page and choose “Certificate of Clearance”.**

6. An email will be sent to you in approximately 10 business days (or possibly longer) indicating your clearance status. Follow the link and the instructions provided.

7. Write your Certificate of Clearance number here and on the Cover Page:
   
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8. To look up the status of your Certificate of Clearance, follow these instructions: [http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/online-services/pdf/profile-status-tips.pdf](http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/online-services/pdf/profile-status-tips.pdf)
Secondary Education Appeals Process

For secondary education applicants who don't meet the minimum GPA required for admission.

CSU Executive Order 1032 governs admission to all CSU teacher preparation programs statewide. In compliance with CSU policies, the School of Education at HSU limits the number of individuals not meeting GPA requirements who may enter credential programs on "exceptional admissions" status.

For the Secondary Education program at Humboldt State University, the following regulations apply:

1. It is the responsibility of each applicant to initiate the GPA appeals process. Appeals applicants must contact the Secondary Education Assistant Coordinator, Bryn Coriell, at 707-826-5108, as soon as possible for advising. The applicant shall read and sign this form signifying knowledge and understanding of the regulations.

2. Appeals applicants must turn in a completed appeals application packet postmarked or delivered to the Credential Programs Office (HGH 202) by 5 p.m. on February 1st. Appeals applications not complete by this date will receive no further consideration.

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5. The Secondary Education Appeals Committee will make the final decision on admission of appeals candidates based on these recommendations and other criteria established by the Education and Credential Program. The decision of the Secondary Education Appeals Committee is final.

6. The appeals application packet must contain:

   a. Two confidential letters of recommendation from college/university faculty members who have recently had the applicant in class and can evaluate the applicant's ability to succeed academically in the credential program. The letters should be attached to the following forms. These are in addition to and different from the three recommendations in the standard part of the application process. Send these letters to: Secondary Education Appeals Committee, c/o Anna Thaler Petersen, SED Program Coordinator, Credential Programs Office, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA 95521.

   b. A one- to two-page narrative, written by the applicant that 1) states the reasons for the GPA being lower than the required minimum; 2) explains what the applicant has done and will continue to do to strengthen subject matter areas in which low grades were earned; and 3) describes how the applicant may use his/her own low-GPA experience to help their own future students.

Signature of Applicant

Date
Humboldt State University
School of Education Credential Programs

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Scholarships and Grants

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http://www.humboldt.edu/education/scholarships.html

- **California Retired Teachers’ Association**: $1,000 open to EED, SED, and SPED candidates. Based solely on financial need. Contact the Credential Programs Office, located in HGH 202, 707-826-5867, or see our website.

- **Fick Memorial**: Approx. $600. Awarded to EED, SED, and SPED candidates. Contact the Credential Programs Office, located in HGH 202, 707-826-5867, or see our website.

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- **Reinman**: $1,000. For SED and EED candidates. Specifically designated for students who earned their high school diploma or equivalency 15 or more years ago. Awarded spring semester only. Contact the Credential Programs Office, located in HGH 202, 707-826-5867, or see our website.

- **Rousseau**: Dollar amount varies. For EED credential candidates only. Contact the Credential Programs Office, located in HGH 202, 707-826-5867, or see our website.

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- **Humboldt Area Foundation**: Several grants and scholarships available to education students. Online information at [www.hafoundation.org](http://www.hafoundation.org).

- **Daughters of the American Revolution**: Have several scholarships available. The Edward G. and Helen A. Borgens Elementary and Secondary Teacher Education Scholarships are $1,500 each and specifically for EED and SED teachers. Must be 25 or older and have a 3.50 GPA or above. See the DAR website for more information: [www.dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm](http://www.dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm).

- **Delta Kappa Gamma**: For fifth-year students going into education. To view eligibility requirements and download the application, see: [www.hafoundation.org/images/stories/applications/EpsilonPi.pdf](http://www.hafoundation.org/images/stories/applications/EpsilonPi.pdf).

- **American Association of University Women**: Offers a variety of scholarships/grants for women in higher education. See their website at [www.aauw.org/fga/index.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/fga/index.cfm) for a list of programs and qualifications.

- **PELL**: for credential students who have completed their bachelor's degree and are enrolled in a credential program.; contact Financial Aid, (707)-826-4321.

- **Cal Grant T**: a competitive grant with specific teaching requirements for students who have never received a Cal Grant or are no longer eligible for a 5th year renewal. Contact Financial Aid Office or the California Student Aid Commission.

**Student Loan Forgiveness (These loan forgiveness programs are temporarily on-hold due to budget cuts in the state of California):**

1. **APLE**: Will pay back up to $19,000 of your student loans. Amounts vary based on your specialty and future teaching employment. For further information, see: [www.csusuccess.org/ple](http://www.csusuccess.org/ple).

2. **Stafford Loan Forgiveness Program for Teachers**: Will pay back up to $17,500 for teachers with certain specialties and up to $5,000 for teachers who teach for five years in low-income schools. Must meet program requirements, see website for details: [www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/tc](http://www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/tc).