

MA in Physical Education and Single Subject Teaching Credential

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The Master of Arts in Physical Education and Single Subject Teaching Credential program (<https://www.apu.edu/bas/programs/masters-in-physical-education-single-subject/>) equips students with the skills and knowledge needed to teach physical education and coach at the K-12, junior college, and four-year university levels. The Single Subject Teaching Credential may be completed in the subject area of physical education. It includes comprehensive foundations courses emphasizing methods alongside specialization courses providing content required for the California Single Subject Preliminary Teaching Credential, as well as practical classroom and fieldwork experiences and advanced coursework in the emphasis area of physical education. The mode of delivery includes campus-based classes, field experiences, and online courses, but predominantly includes face-to-face courses.

The Master of Arts in Physical Education and Single Subject Teaching Credential is approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/>) and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), which is transitioning to the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) (<https://caepnet.org/>). All single-subject teachers receive certification to teach in a specific content area through their subject-matter competence, which is achieved either through completion of a CTC-approved subject-matter program in physical education or passage of appropriate California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET) physical education subtests. Upon completion, the credential candidate will have earned a California Single Subject Preliminary Teaching Credential in Physical Education and a Master of Arts in Physical Education.

Requirements

Graduate physical education students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (B) or better, and may not earn lower than a 2.7 (B-). Students who earn below a 2.7 (B-) in a course must retake the course and achieve the minimum GPA requirement.

Code	Title	Units
Foundation Courses		
TESP 501	Art of Teaching I: Foundations of Teaching	3
TESP 502	Science of Teaching I: How Students Learn	3
TESP 503	The Soul of Teaching: Tapestry of American Education	3
TESP 504	Schools and Educational Systems	3
Specialization Courses		
TEP 511	Art of Teaching II: Pedagogy and Instructional Design	3
TEP 512	Science of Teaching II: Effective Assessment Strategies for All Learners	3
TEP 531	Methods of Teaching Reading and Writing (7-12)	3
TEP 532	Secondary Pedagogy I: Teaching in Secondary Schools (7-12)	2
TEP 533	The Differentiated Classroom: Maximizing Capacity of Each Learner (7-12)	3
TEP 534	Secondary Pedagogy II: Content-Specific Strategies, Teaching, and Assessment (7-12)	2
TEP 561	Clinical Practice I: Single Subject Credential ¹	2
TEP 562	Clinical Practice II: Single Subject Credential ¹	2
Emphasis Core Courses		
PE 551	Curriculum Theory and Design in Physical Education	3
PE 582	Seminar in Professional Literature in Physical Education and Sport	3
Emphasis Teaching/Coaching Courses 3		
Select one of the following:		
PE 555	Sociological and Ethical Issues in Sport	
PE 565	Athletics and the Law	
PE 570	Leadership and Administration of Physical Education and Athletic Programs	
PE 578	Sport Psychology	
Emphasis Health Science Courses 3		
Select one of the following:		
PE 560	Sports Medicine	
PE 575	Advanced Principles of Physical Conditioning	

PE 580	Wellness and Fitness for Life	
Final Capstone Course		
PE 585	Capstone in Physical Education and Sport ²	3
Total Units		47

¹ All foundation courses must be completed prior to beginning clinical practice.

² PE 585 is completed in the final terms of the master's program, after credential coursework is fulfilled.

Admission

University graduate admission and program-specific requirements must be met before an application is complete (see Admission to the University (<http://catalog.apu.edu/admissions/>)). **Program-specific application requirements are available online (<https://tracking.cirrusinsight.com/74647a2d-e9a2-412f-9b55-9959c7aac4ec/apu-edu-graduateprofessionalcenter-admissions-requirements-program/>).**

International students should contact Graduate and Professional Admissions (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessionalcenter/admissions/>) for application procedures.