

OPTIONS TO MEET THE U.S. CONSTITUTION REQUIREMENT

A course or examination covering the provisions and principles of the U. S. Constitution is required to earn a California teaching credential. This requirement may be met by one of the following method:

1. satisfactory completion of a 2-semester course with a grade of “C” or better at a regionally-accredited college or university or
2. a college-level examination completed at a regionally-accredited college or university.

A Bachelor’s degree from a California State University (CSU) meets the U.S. Constitution requirement. There is no stipulation on the date of degree or grade received for the course.

A degree from a University of California (UC) or a private college or university must meet the requirement by one of the options above. The U.S. Constitution requirement at a UC’s may be met by a high school course, which is not acceptable for teacher certification.

Approved Courses:

Most community colleges and universities offer a course that meets the provisions and principals of the U. S. Constitution. If you are uncertain about the validity of the course, please contact your Credential Program Advisor prior to registration.

Approved Exams:

- Notre Dame www.usconstitutionexam.com
- UCSD Extension offers an online U.S. Constitution course with an exam at the end. <http://extension.ucsd.edu/studyarea/index.cfm?vAction=singleCourse&vCourse=EDUC-30008>
- CSU, Dominguez Hills <https://www.csudh.edu/political-science/constitution-exam/>
- UCLA Extension <http://education.uclaextension.edu/credentials/us-const-exam/>

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