Subject Matter Authorization Emphases

Students in Liberal Studies with an Introductory Subject Matter Authorization emphasis complete the Liberal Studies core curriculum and an additional set of courses approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC). The completion of the authorization coursework along with the Liberal Studies core curriculum, allows a student who is accepted and completes a credential program after graduation to teach not only grades K-6 in multiple subjects, but also grades 6-9 in the area of their subject matter authorization. Introductory subject matter authorization options are offered in Science, Mathematics, and English. This emphasis requires students to complete the BA in Liberal Studies, followed by a one-year Multiple Subject Credential program at CSUB or another CCTC-accredited school; this normally takes a minimum of five years.