

**Questions submitted for the COVID-19 Guidance for Teacher Candidates Webinar  
6/12/2020**

If you have further questions, please contact your [advisor](#).

**Preliminary Credential Applicants**

How soon will I have to apply for the credential if I want a job this fall?	You can <a href="#">apply</a> right now.
Can I use the credential out of state despite not having the rica or tpa done?	You will need to talk to the individual state's credentialing unit to ask this question. We do not know other state's policies.
Does the executive order mean that I will be able to get my preliminary credential if the only thing missing is TPA2?	Yes. As long as you meet all four of the TPA conditions during the 2019-2020 school year: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Was placed or employed in a local educational agency impacted by COVID-19 related school site closures;</li> <li>2. Was in the process of completing the TPA;</li> <li>3. Was unable to complete the TPA due solely to school closures; AND</li> <li>4. Successfully completed all other preliminary teaching credential requirements.</li> </ol>
If I made an attempt at CalTPA Cycle 2 but did not pass am I still able to apply for the Preliminary Credential if I have all other requirements completed?	Yes. As long as your meet all four of the TPA conditions. See the conditions above.
My CPR certificate expires soon. Do I have to renew it before I apply for the credential?	The CPR certificate needs to be valid when we make the credential recommendation. The review process for the recommendation takes about 2-3 weeks. If it will expire by then, we recommend that you renew it. There is an online course you can take, see info <a href="#">here</a> .
When emailing the preliminary credential form do I also need to send you all the other forms (tb, cpr, BA proof..etc...)?	If we already have it on file (i.e. you have sent it in during the admissions process or student teaching/internship application), you do not need to send it again. Your advisor will let you know if <u>anything is missing or needs to be renewed</u> .
If I no longer have the email sent from Pearson [RICA cancelation], how do I prove that?	Please talk with your advisor about what should be submitted if you are unsure what type of proof to provide.
Is it possible that once we submit all of the forms to you, and you recommend us for the preliminary credential, the CTC can deny us down for the	Although unlikely, it may be possible for the CTC to deny our recommendation. In the past, we have received denied recommendations due to an unclear background check, incorrect birth dates or social security numbers, etc.

preliminary credential? If we do get denied, what will we do then?	
Do you know the cost for the preliminary teaching credential?	<a href="#">CTC – Fee Schedule Information</a>

### **Fall 2020 Student Teaching**

Can students still submit an application for Fall 2020 student teaching?	The application closed on May 17, 2020. We are not accepting late applications. You can contact your advisor if you have questions regarding this.
What will the TPA look like this fall?	At this time, we do not know. CTC is most likely waiting to see what teaching in schools looks like this fall before they determine if any changes will be made to the TPA exams. In Spring 2020, when schools closed, they did allow those student teachers and intern to complete their TPA exams virtually, as long as students were in view of the camera.
Will there be a better chance of being placed for those that have met all requirements in the event that there are limited student teaching positions available?	No. No preference is given to students who have passed their exams. Due to the process of placing the student teachers, placement availability very much depends on the districts. We will do our absolute best to find a placement for you in a preferred district and will be transparent about the process. Because much of the placement decisions is in the hands of the district, we cannot make guarantees regarding your placement.
For Fall 2020 student teaching, we will know our placements by August?	Students will know their placement details or placement status by the end of August.
Will there be safety precautions during student teaching with the new normal?	Yes. We will certainly be following the policies and guidance of every individual districts that you will be placed in. It is very likely the University Supervisors will be supporting you virtually since the majority of them, as retired teachers, are in a vulnerable health population.
For Fall 2020 Student Teachers.... if we start student teaching and schools shut down again.. what is that going to look like? Will we be virtual student teaching?	At this time, we do not know. We will be looking to CTC for guidance related to this.
How long are TB tests considered valid?	Two years.
The TB I submitted was from Aug 2018. Should I get another one for student teaching?	The TB needs to be renewed so that it can be valid during the entire student teaching experience. This

	is per our contractual language with districts. Please have it renewed by July 26.
Will we need to show proof our CSET was canceled by the testing centers?	No. No proof is needed to advance to student teaching without the CSET exams.
If we do end up passing our CSETs soon, do we still email scores to the Office of Student Success?	Yes, please. You will get your scores sooner than our office will. We will save these in your student file.
Do we need to apply for the preliminary credential if we pass all required tests by the end of student teaching? If so, what is the deadline to submit that application?	Yes, you will apply for your Preliminary Credential at the conclusion of student teaching. There is not a set deadline for this, but it is recommended that you apply as soon as you meet all credential requirements. See more info <a href="#">here</a> .
Is the RICA only for multiple subject candidates?	The RICA is a requirement for Multiple Subject and Education Specialist candidates.

### **Fall 2020 Internship**

What will the TPA look like this fall?	At this time, we do not know. CTC is most likely waiting to see what teaching in schools looks like for the fall before they determine if any changes will be made to the TPA exams. In Spring 2020, when schools closed, they did allow those student teachers and intern to complete their TPA exams virtually, as long as students were in view of the camera.
Are you still accepting Internship Applications for fall 2020?	Yes. The application is due by July 26, 2020. See the application <a href="#">here</a> .
How long are TB tests considered valid?	Two years.
If we do end up passing our CSETs soon, do we still email scores to the Office of Student Success?	Yes, please. You will get your scores sooner than our office will. We will save this in your student file.
Do you need to have a CPR certificate when applying to be an intern?	Yes. See more info <a href="#">here</a> .

### **Spring 2021 Student Teaching**

Where do I find the link to apply for student teaching in Spring 2021?	<a href="#">Student Teaching Application.</a>
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Do you need your CSETs passed in order to apply for Spring 2021 Student Teaching?	No.
If we do end up passing our CSETs soon, do we still email scores to the Office of Student Success?	Yes, please. You will get your scores sooner than our office will. We will save this in your student file.
When is the deadline to pass the CSET if student teaching in the Spring?	There is not technically a deadline. CSET exams must be passed in order to be recommended for the Preliminary Credential. It is recommended that you pass them by the end of April 2021.
Do we need to apply for the preliminary credential if we pass all required tests by the end of student teaching? If so, what is the deadline to submit that application?	Yes, you will apply for your Preliminary Credential at the conclusion of student teaching. There is not a set deadline, but it is recommended that you apply as soon as you meet all credential requirements. See info more into <a href="#">here</a> .

### Spring 2021 Internship

Do you need to have a CPR certificate when applying to be an intern?	Yes. See more info <a href="#">here</a> .
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### Additional Questions

Will classes be online or in person for fall 2020?	At this time, we do not know.
I had seen an email of the fall semester starting two weeks earlier and ending right before Thanksgiving, is that true?	That email was specifically for the College of Arts and Science, who have a different academic calendar. The School of Education has not yet determined if changes will be made to our academic calendar or if we will continue with online courses. More info will be sent to students when this is determined.
What is the date for fall classes to start in MALT program?	You can see the academic calendar <a href="#">here</a> . More info will come if any changes are made to it due to COVID-19.