Early Program Orientation (2 weeks) – 0 unit*

The Designated Subjects Early Program Orientation Course introduces candidates to program requirements for a clear credential in CTE, Adult Ed or Special Subjects and provides a context-based exposure to the theory, strategies and practice of understanding, planning for and meeting the unique needs of students in a CTE or Special Subjects educational environment and adult learners in an educational environment.

Foundations (4 weeks) – 4 units*

The Designated Subjects Foundations Course introduces candidates to the fundamental precepts and practices of education. The course provides an overview for teachers of learning concepts and developmental skills as they relate to CTE, Adult Ed or Special Subjects.

Emphasis (6 weeks) – 6 units*

The Designated Subjects CTE Emphasis Course introduces candidates to the theory, strategies and practice of understanding, planning for and meeting the unique needs of learners in an educational environment. This course also meets Special Subjects requirements, as the credential requires recommendation from a Commission-approved Career Technical Education program.

The Designated Subjects Adult Emphasis Course introduces candidates to the theory, strategies and practice of understanding, planning for and meeting the unique needs of Adult Learners in an educational environment.

Portfolio (3 weeks) – 3 units*

The Designated Subjects Portfolio Course is designed to capture candidate learning and competency as it relates to CTE Program Standards 8 through 16 or Adult Ed Program Standards 5 – 13. Portfolio is required for candidates issued credentials prior to 2020 and will be phased out by December 2021.

Core (6 weeks) – 6 units*

This course is designed to provide scaffolding for participating teachers, relying upon their foundational knowledge, skills, and abilities, to bridge to those required for successful teaching in the CTE, Special Subjects or Adult Ed context. Participating teachers will review, discuss, and reflect upon the strategies and foundations of teaching as they apply directly to the CTE, Special Subjects or Adult Ed classroom and standards.

* Units are Graduate Level Professional Development and must be purchased through Brandman University.

The program includes an embedded study of SDAIE strategies. Upon successful completion of all program requirements, candidates will be recommended for a Clear credential, which will include an English Learner authorization.