Preparing you for Effective Teaching

- Strong subject matter preparation
- Single Subject preparation to teach social science(s), mathematics, science(s), English, art, or world languages, through a 3-course sequence of subject-specific methods courses
- Multiple subject preparation to teach all elementary school subjects, with particular emphasis on mathematics methods
- Commitment to the success of underserved students in California schools
- Focus on reflective practice for continuous improvement
- Instruction from faculty skilled in innovative approaches to effective teaching

Recent Alumni Insights

"UCI equipped me with the tools needed to succeed in the classroom, but more importantly, the inspiration to become a life-changing teacher." (2019 Single Subject English Credential)
— Julian Merchant

"As I experience life as a new teacher, I am continually reminded of the strong foundation the MAT program provided me. Learning to work collaboratively with my peers has prepared me to participate effectively in my school-site team when we engage in lesson planning or analysis of student work." (2019 Multiple Subject Credential)
— Ty Tuey

"The MAT program is designed for future teachers who are passionate about teaching students equitably. It was truly inspiring to learn from educators who were continually striving to improve their instruction and the lives of all of their students." (2019 Dual Immersion Multiple Subject Credential)
— Carol Baez

Five Core Commitments Inform our Curriculum

We are committed to preparing new teachers who support, challenge, and advocate for all students by promoting powerful learning in schools.

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Why MAT at UCI?

- Earn a master’s degree and teaching credential in 14 months
- Program concludes in July, allowing graduates to begin teaching in the fall
- Receive instruction from world-renowned faculty skilled in providing innovative approaches to effective teaching
- Contribute to the success of local K-12 students through a student teaching assignment
- Participate in a collaborative community of supportive peers through our cohort program structure
- Join the network of more than 10,000 School of Education alumni worldwide

The Student Teaching Experience

The MAT student teaching experience is integral to developing skills as a future educator, and its benefits include:

- Developing teaching expertise through a collaborative co-teaching model
- Ongoing support and feedback from university and school-based professionals
- A year-long placement in the single subject pathway and two different grade level placements in the multiple subject pathway
- Placement in schools with established partnerships centered around research and teacher preparation
- Dual immersion placements available for multiple subject candidates fluent in Spanish or Mandarin

Program Requirements

- Bachelor’s degree
- 3.0 GPA or greater
- Completion of CBEST

Visit education.uci.edu to find out additional information about

- The application process
- Program requirements
- Attending an information session

We're always eager to talk with future teachers!