

Subject Matter Guidance – World Languages

All credential candidates must demonstrate their proficiency in the subject matter area of their intended credential. The CTC separates the required subject matter content into subtests, with each subtest covering specific domains (areas of knowledge). The following list summarizes all options available to meet the Subject Matter Requirement (SMR) for candidates interested in a World Languages Credential:

- **Academic Major** in the subject area: the degree title will have to be an exact title match
 - **Subject Matter Waiver:** earning an approved waiver in World Languages based on classes taken as an undergraduate.
 - **Coursework:** completion of coursework addressing *all of the domains* listed for that CSET subtest.
 - a. Courses must be degree applicable and non-remedial
 - b. *A grade of a C- or better is required*
 - c. Each subtest is independent of the other subtests (i.e., you might have coursework to clear subtest I but not subtest II).
 - **California Subject Examinations for Teachers (CSET):** passing all required subtests that are required for each language.
 - **Combination of coursework and CSET examination(s):** some combination of coursework and examinations to meet the content for all required subtests.
1. Review the coursework options for any subtests where you have not met SMR by using the World Languages by coursework worksheet. You must have taken a class in each and every domain listed for that subtest.
 - a. If yes, you have a course for every domain for that subtest, you may upload a copy of this form to your online application. Please note that an official review will not be conducted until after an applicant is admitted AND submits their intent to register into the program. Additional documentation may be requested and/or required.
 - b. If no, you have NOT taken a class in every domain listed for that subtest, you will need to pass the CSET exam for that subtest to meet SMR.

World Languages – By Coursework

SUBTEST I			
Domains	Course # and Title	Course Description with link to course catalog	Grade & Term completed
1. General Linguistics			
2. Linguistics of the Target Language			

SUBTEST II –			
Domains	Course # and Title	Course Description with link to course catalog	Grade & Term completed
3. Literary and Cultural Texts and Traditions			
4. Cultural Analysis and Comparisons			

SUBTEST III–			
Domains	Course # and Title	Course Description with link to course catalog	Grade & Term completed
5. Language and Communication: Listening Comprehension			
6. Language and Communication: Reading Comprehension			
7. Language and Communication: Oral Expression			
8. Language and Communication: Written Expression			

If you need clarification as to what content/elements are in each of these domains, you may review the list of elements on the CTC website [here](#). See page 2 for the index.

Important note:

This evaluation is based on the CTC regulatory guidelines currently in effect. Should the CTC regulatory guidelines change prior to your being recommended for your Preliminary Credential, you would need to meet the new guidelines.