

## Masters of Arts in Education, Teaching and Learning

Announcing an opportunity for teachers, with a California Preliminary Teaching Credential, to

- ❖ Strengthen their teaching practice
- ❖ Complete requirements for their Professional Clear Credential, and
- ❖ Earn a Master of Arts in Education

PLNU School of Education faculty has designed a rigorous and cohesive course of study for beginning teachers to complete their Professional Clear Credential and Master of Arts in Education degree in two to three years. The coursework and field experiences in this newly designed program are fully aligned with BTSA Induction Programs.

Coursework requirements for the program are:

<b>6</b>	Units of Post-BA Preliminary Credential Coursework
<b>6</b>	Units of BTSA Induction/Reflective Coaching
<b>12</b>	Units of Blended Advanced Study Courses
<b>12</b>	Units of In-Depth Courses
<b>36</b>	Units of your Professional Clear Credential & Masters of Arts in Education, Teaching and Learning degree* (*A GPA of 3.0 must be maintained for the degree.)

**Post BA Preliminary Credential Coursework** – six units of specific post-BA coursework from the Preliminary Credential coursework may be accepted for the program. For example, the following PLNU courses are approved:

- EDU 502: Research-Based Learning Theory (3 Units)
- EDU 506: Principles of Language Acquisition (3 Units)
- EDU 508: Assessment and Research Practices (3 Units)
- EDU 522 Differentiated Writing & Related Language Arts Instruction for All Learners or
- EDU 536 Curriculum Development, Innovation and Evaluation (3 Units)

**BTSA Induction/Reflective Coaching** – this is a two year reflective assessment process designed to help beginning teachers grow in their profession. Six units of credit may be earned by:

- ❖ Completing all requirements for your district sponsored BTSA Induction & Reflective Coaching Program (for Year 1 and Year 2) and having your portfolio evidence evaluated and signed-off each year by your district in addition to a comprehensive review by Point Loma.

**Advanced Study Courses** – four courses have been approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing to enable clear credential candidates to develop a deep and applied understanding of required content and teaching methodology.

The Advanced Study Courses are:

- GED 628 Advanced Course in Using Technology to Support Student Learning (3 Units)
- GED 639 Advanced Study of Health Education (3 Units)
- GED 642 Advanced Course on English Learners (3 Units)
- GED 677 Advanced Study of Teaching Special Populations (3 Units)

**In-depth Study** – candidates will work with PLNU faculty to collaboratively plan an in-depth study that address individual interests and career goals. This pivotal part of the program requires completing twelve units:

- ❖ GED 672 Philosophy of Education course (3 units) and
- ❖ 9 units of in-depth study, some applicable toward the completion of other credentials:
  - BTSA augmentation: extension of BTSA Induction Standards #15-20 with Action Research
  - Counseling & Guidance Credential: Pupil Personnel Services
  - Education Specialist Instruction Credential (Mild/Moderate)
  - Preliminary Administrative Services Credential
  - Reading Certificate (9 units and GED 628)

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