§ 40520. Definition.

The term “integrated teacher preparation program” means a curriculum (a) that incorporates general education, a major, subject-matter preparation for teaching in elementary and/or secondary schools, professional preparation for teaching in elementary and/or secondary schools, and any other graduation requirements, and (b) in which students make progress concurrently toward a baccalaureate degree and a recommendation for a preliminary basic teaching credential, given satisfactory completion of the requirements for each. The components of an integrated teacher preparation program (i.e., general education, a major, subject-matter preparation for teaching in elementary and/or secondary schools, professional preparation for teaching in elementary and/or secondary schools, and any other graduation requirements) need not be mutually exclusive. An individual course within an integrated teacher preparation program may contribute to completion of more than one of these components.


§ 40521. Total Unit Requirements.

For completion of an integrated teacher preparation program, at least 120 semester units but no more than 135 semester units shall be required. The Chancellor may grant exceptions to the upper limit of 135 units on requirements for completion of an integrated teacher preparation program if the campus that will offer the program requests the exception and provides an adequate justification. Procedures for requesting, reviewing, and granting these exceptions shall be developed by the Chancellor, in consultation with the Academic Senate of the California State University.


§ 40522. Guidelines for Establishment of Campus Requirements.

The Chancellor, in consultation with the Academic Senate of the California State University, shall establish guidelines for the identification and integration of lower-division and upper-division general education, subject-matter preparation, and professional preparation in integrated teacher preparation programs. The guidelines may include recommendations for unit
requirements for each of these components. The consultation shall include California State University faculty members and administrators from campus academic units providing programs of professional preparation approved by the California Commission on Teaching Credentialing and from campus academic units providing programs of subject matter preparation approved by the California Commission on Teaching Credentialing. The consultation shall also include the California Community Colleges.


§ 40523. Articulation with California Community Colleges.

For students admitted to integrated teacher preparation programs, units earned in community college courses that are articulated with courses fulfilling integrated teacher preparation program requirements shall not be subject to the limitation imposed by subsection (b) of section 40409.