

FALL 2021 APPLICATION CHECKLIST

For complete application instructions, visit the [Graduate School of Education](#) and UC Berkeley's [Graduate Division](#). For questions, contact the GSE's Admissions Office at gse_info@berkeley.edu or (510) 642-0841.

- **Online Application:** All components of the application are submitted electronically.
Visit: <https://grad.berkeley.edu/admissions/apply/>
- **Application Fee:** \$120 for U.S. citizens and current U.S. residents; \$140 fee for international applicants
- **Essays:** Two essays are required: (a) Statement of Purpose; and (b) Personal History.
- **GPA Worksheet:** Needed for Advanced GPA (All coursework after the first two years).
- **Transcripts:** Upload PDF scans of all transcripts. No hard copies are accepted.

- **Letters of Recommendation:** 3 letters of recommendation are required.
PhD applicants are encouraged to have at least 2 academic letters; *MA/T.Credential* applicants should have at least 2 from individuals providing information about experience working with children
- **Official GRE:** The GRE "general test" should be taken no later than a month before the deadline. Use recipient code 4833. Tests taken 5 years before the application deadline year are not accepted. **GRE scores are not required for the BE3 & PLI programs.**

PLEASE NOTE: The GRE exam is not required for the Fall 2021 application cycle.

- **English Proficiency:** If you received your BA outside of the U.S. an English proficiency exam is required. Options are the TOEFL or IELTS. Tests taken 2 years before the application deadline year are not accepted (Ex. If the application year is 2016 test taken before 2014 are not accepted). Use recipient code 4833. **Below are additional requirements for degrees offering a credential.**

Upload a PDF scan of your official score report(s) into the online application.

- **Basic Skills Requirement:** *This is required of these programs: BE3, School Psychology, and PLI.*
Learn more about the Basic Skills requirement from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing Choose one of the following:
 - Pass the CBEST (California Basic Educational Skills Test)
 - Pass the CSET: Multiple Subjects + Writing Skills Exam (Only applies to Multiple Subj Cred. & PLI)
 - Pass the CSU Early Assessment Program or exam, achieve qualifying scores on the SAT/ACT, College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exams, *or* pass a basic skills exam from another state.
Please visit https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/cl667.pdf?sfvrsn=91a6cf60_32 for more information

- **Subject Matter Competency Requirement:** *This is required For the MA/TC BE3 program only.*
Learn more [about the CSET](#) from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.
Choose one of the following:
 - Pass the CSET (California Subject Examinations for Teachers)
 - Complete approved Subject Matter Preparation Program, must upload a certified letter from your credential analyst confirming your enrollment and completion of your program.