Thank you for your interest in the Master of Education in Special Education with a Preliminary Ed Specialist Credential: Mild/Moderate with Internship Option Program is currently operating using California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) guidelines which also allows candidates to obtain a Preliminary Education Specialist Credential: Mild/Moderate Credential with Intern Option (CA) as part of the master's degree. These recommendations are for **California** credentials **only.**

A <u>determination has not been made</u> as to whether the Program meets the educational requirements for licensure to practice in any other State.

The Master of Education in Special Education with a Preliminary Education Specialist Credential: Mild/Moderate (M/M) is designed to provide candidates with critical skills needed to teach in inclusive classroom settings within the framework of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) structure.

This program focuses on practical, field- based experience that helps a candidate understand and critically evaluate education practices and provides strategies that can be immediately applied to teaching practices. The Master of Education is ideal for educators looking to move into leadership roles or improve their own instructional strategies.

Students need to satisfy/pass the Basic Skills Requirement (e.g., CBEST) and Subject Matter Competency Requirement (e.g., CSET) early on in their programs to avoid interruptions to program progress and/ or financial aid arrangements. This program adheres to the CTC Universal Teaching performance Expectations (TPEs) and the TPEs for Credential Authorization for the Mild/Moderate. The TPEs form the backbone of the program and are translated into the Program Learning Outcomes.

To receive the Preliminary Education Specialist credential, candidates are required to successfully complete all course work including clinical practice, fingerprint clearance on CTC website, Subject Matter Competency in Multiple Subjects or any statutory Single Subject area, U.S. Constitution, Satisfy the Basic Skills Requirement, RICA, Adult, Child and Infant CPR, 3.0 GPA and Zero account balance.

This program must be completed while residing in the state of California. Field Expedience and Clinical Practice Placements cannot be made outside of California. It is the responsibility of the candidate to notify the University of relocation outside of California.

By acknowledging this disclosure, the student understands the prescribe boundaries of the National University Master of Education in Special Education with a Preliminary Ed Specialist Credential: Mild/Moderate with Internship Option Program.