



Centers for the Re-Education and Advancement of Teachers in Special Education and Related Services Personnel

How to Qualify for CREATE Scholarship Funds PROGRAM OPTIONS

The chart below identifies six (6) licensure programs (green-shaded boxes) supported by CREATE scholarship funds to prepare individuals to serve the needs of students with disabilities in South Carolina.

Instructions: Find your current employment position (yellow-shaded boxes), then look across the row to see available program options. Identify the letter in the box beneath the program area in which you are interested, then scroll down the pages to the same-lettered section to learn what you must do and documents you must submit in order to qualify for CREATE funds. Gray-shaded boxes indicate the program is not available.

PROGRAM OPTIONS ►	Behavior Intervent	Orien-Mob Specialist	School Psycholog	Sec Trans Specialist	Spec Educ Teacher	Spch-Lang Pathologist
▼ EMPLOYMENT POSITION						
General Education Teacher (With an SCDE educator license)	A	B	C	D	E	F
Special Education Teacher (With an SCDE educator license)	G	H	I	J	K	L
Speech-Language Pathologist (With an SCDE educator license)	M	N	O	P	Q	
Other Staff/Teacher Assistant (With an SCDE educator license)	R	S	T	U	V	W
Other Staff/Teacher Assistant (No license; has Bachelor's/Master's degree)					X	Y
Other Staff/Teacher Assistant (Has Associate's degree or some/no college)					Z	

The Citadel ♦ Clemson University ♦ Coastal Carolina University ♦ The College of Charleston
 Columbia College ♦ Converse College ♦ Francis Marion University ♦ Furman University
 Lander University ♦ South Carolina State University ♦ Southern Wesleyan University
 USC Aiken ♦ USC Columbia ♦ USC Upstate

A. General Education Teacher > Behavior Interventionist

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3. Program of study for BCBA
4. Scholarship Loan Agreement

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B. General Education Teacher > Orientation-Mobility Specialist

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C. General Education Teacher > School Psychologist

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D. General Education Teacher > Secondary Transition Specialist

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E. General Education Teacher > Special Education Teacher

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3. Scholarship Loan Agreement

F. General Education Teacher > Speech-Language Pathologist

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G. Special Education Teacher > Behavior Interventionist

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K. Special Education Teacher > Special Education Teacher

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2. SCDE-issued checklist for SpEd add-on
3. Letter from school district HR Chief^
4. Scholarship Loan Agreement

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L. Special Education Teacher > Speech-Language Pathologist

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M. Speech-Language Pathologist > Behavior Interventionist

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O. Speech-Language Pathologist > School Psychologist

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P. Speech-Language Pathologist > Secondary Transition Specialist

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Q. Speech-Language Pathologist > Special Education Teacher

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R. Other Staff/Teacher Assistant > Behavior Interventionist

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X. Other Staff/Teacher Assistant > Special Education Teacher

To obtain initial SCDE licensure to teach Special Education, you must complete a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree program that includes a semester of supervised directed teaching. If you reside within 45 miles of Converse College (Spartanburg), you will select an ID or LD major. If you reside within 45 miles of USC Columbia, you will select an ED, ID, LD, or Severe Disabilities major. The MAT-LD program offered through Francis Marion University is a distance/online available only to applicants who reside outside the 45-mile radius to either Converse College or USC Columbia. The MAT-VI program offered through USC Upstate is distance/online. There are no CREATE-sponsored MAT degree programs available in ECSE or HI.

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2. Letter of admission to Converse C., FMU, USCC, or USCU
3. Program of study for special education area
4. Scholarship Loan Agreement

Y. Other Staff/Teacher Assistant > Speech-Language Pathologist

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Z. Other Staff/Teacher Assistant > Special Education Teacher

To obtain initial SCDE licensure to teach Special Education, you must complete a Bachelor's degree program that includes a semester of supervised directed teaching. If you reside within 45 miles of Converse College (Spartanburg), you will select the LD major. If you reside within 45 miles of Columbia College, you will

select the Multi-categorical Special Education major. If you reside outside the range of these two colleges, there is no CREATE-sponsored college available to you at this time. There are no CREATE-sponsored Bachelor's degree programs available in ECSE, ED, HI, VI, or Severe Disabilities.

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3. Program of study for special education area
4. Single-Source Scholarship form
5. Scholarship Loan Agreement