

Student Teaching vs Internships

Student Teaching

- Candidate is required to complete all course work and CTC requirements by the end of the program for credential recommendation;
- Candidate is placed with a district-approved Cooperating Teacher in the service region by Chico State's Placement Coordinator;
- The Cooperating Teacher and University Supervisor actively support the candidate with teaching effectiveness and professional development (coaching and mentoring);
- Candidate and Cooperating Teacher are co-teachers; assignments align to the Clinical Practice experience;
- Candidate learns about, and applies, all phases of the teaching cycle (plan, teach, assess, reflect and apply) with support and guidance of the Cooperating Teacher;
- Candidate works gradually toward the lead teaching role in the co-teaching relationship over the course of the program.

Internships

- Intern is required to complete all course work and CTC requirements by the end of the program for credential recommendation;
- Intern is teacher- of-record for all students under their supervision as defined by their teaching contract;
- Intern is assigned a Local Support Teacher by the district of offer support and guidance, typically occurring outside of instructional hours (before school, on lunch breaks, after school, etc.);
- Intern is assigned a University Supervisor who actively supports them in developing teaching effectiveness and professional development (coaching and mentoring);
- Intern is solely responsible for all planning and applying all phases of the teaching cycle (plan, teach, assess, reflect and apply);
- Intern is responsible for setting up their classroom and obtaining necessary curriculum, supplies, etc.;
- Intern must balance their full-time teaching assignment with program responsibilities, such as attending courses in the modality they are offered (evenings, weekends, and/or online);
- Once approved (following Chico State's process), interns secure their own internships and are paid a percentage of a teaching salary.

