

Hutchins School of Liberal Studies Blended Program - obtain a BA in Liberal Studies and a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential in four years!

Program Description: The Blended Undergraduate Education Program (Hutchins School: Track III) is a four-year liberal arts and elementary teacher education program designed to support Sonoma State University's ongoing commitment to excellence in undergraduate instruction and teacher preparation. For more information about the Hutchins School's unique approach to learning, please see our Website: www.sonoma.edu/hutchins/pages/academic/ba/track3. Or, contact Donna Garbesi, Hutchins Advisor at donna.garbesi@sonoma.edu.

1. This program will provide students with a total course load of 135-136 units taken over four years, with 17-18 unit semesters during the first three years. Graduates of this program will earn a BA in Liberal Studies and a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential.
2. Given the heavy academic load required during each semester of the four year program students will find it difficult to be employed during the school year. Information about sources of financial is available on the School of Education website (www.sonoma.edu/education), or the Financial Aid Office at Sonoma State (707) 664-2389. For scholarship information call (707) 664-2261 or scholarships@sonoma.edu

Admission Requirements: In addition to the standard requirements for admission to SSU, students must meet following requirements:

1. For first time freshmen and fall admittance only.
2. Place into general education English (SAT Critical Reading: 550, ACT English: 24, EPT*: 148, EAP** exempt)
3. Place into general education Math (SAT Math: 550, ACT Math: 23, ELM*: 50, fulfillment of EAP** exemption)
4. Have a cumulative 3.0 GPA
5. Submit complete application packet and 500-word essay by March 31. Applications submitted after this date will be considered on a space available basis.
6. We will review all applications and base admittance on essay and qualifications listed above.
7. **Priority will be given to students with GE placement per #2 & #3 above. However, students who do not place into general education math may be able to start the program on a case by case basis if space is available. Contact the Hutchins Advisor for more information.**

*Contact your nearest CSU campus for EPT/ELM test dates and times.

**Visit www.calstate.edu/eap/about.shtml for EAP information.

How to Apply

1. Apply to CSU Sonoma with the Undergraduate Application for Admission. Apply to SSU online at www.csu.mentor.edu>Select Liberal Studies – Hutchins School as your major
Contact the Hutchins School of Liberal Studies for a **separate application** to the Blended Program or go online at <http://www.sonoma.edu/hutchins/pages/academic/ba/track3> to download application.

To Continue in the Program

1. Permission to continue in the Blended Program (Track III) after the student's first year will be based on maintaining a 3.00 GPA in graded courses and written recommendations of their first year instructors.
2. Students must pass the CBEST and apply to the School of Education during their second year.
Admission to the Multiple Subject Credential Program will be based on the same criteria required of all candidates to the School of Education.
3. Students who do not continue have the option to complete the Hutchins Track II Multiple Subject (pre-credential) Program, and apply to a Teaching Credential Program during their senior year.

Application Requirements and Instructions to the Hutchins School of Liberal Studies Blended Program

Please read carefully & follow these instructions:

Deadlines: Priority given to Applications received November 1 through March 31
Additional admits on a space available basis.

Requirements & Instruction for Application

1) Two (2) signature-sealed letters of recommendation

Letters are needed to complete your file and if recommender chooses not to use the Hutchins form, the letters of recommendation must include the following:

--State in what capacity, how long, and how well the recommender knows you.

--Evaluate applicant's academic and interpersonal skills and assess his or her potential as a student and teacher.

--Include the recommender's name, address, phone number and signature.

2) Essay

--Length: Must be 500 words (equivalent of 2 double spaced typewritten pages).

--Quality: This document will also be used to assess your writing proficiency, so you should pay special attention to both content and format.

--Content: Please address the following in your essay. In preparing this essay familiarize your self with our program by reviewing the Hutchins Web Site: www.sonoma.edu/hutchins/pages/academic/ba/track3.

-Why did you choose the Hutchins Blended Program?

-Are you prepared to manage the rigorous writing and reading demands of the program?

-What personal qualities do you possess that will make you a good teacher?

3) Submit the following materials directly to the Hutchins School of Liberal Studies as a complete packet:

--Application Form/Information Sheet

--500 word Essay

--Two (2) signature-sealed letters of recommendation.

**Mail to: Donna Garbesi
Sonoma State University
Hutchins School of Liberal Studies Blended Program
1801 East Cotati Ave, Carson Hall 44
Rohnert Park, California 94928-3609**

Your application cannot be considered until all materials are received

IN ADDITION TO BLENDED APPLICATION PROCESS OUTLINED ABOVE, YOU MUST ALSO SUBMIT A CSU APPLICATION TO THE UNIVERSITY. To obtain an application for SSU apply online at www.csumentor.edu.

#1

**Letter of Recommendation For Admission to the
Hutchins School of Liberal Studies Blended Program**

Applicant Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Your carefully considered evaluation of this applicant will greatly aid in the selection of those best qualified for admission. Graduates of our program will earn a BA in Liberal Studies and a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential.

Please return this form directly to applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal.

In what capacity do you know applicant? _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How well do you feel you know the applicant? _____

Name: _____	Signature: _____
Position: _____	at _____
Address: _____	
Workphone: _____	email: _____

1) Evaluate applicant's academic and interpersonal skills and assess his or her potential as a student and teacher. Use this form as a cover sheet for your response. Please type your letter of recommendation on a separate piece of paper, use professional letterhead if possible. Be sure to sign the letter. Place letter of recommendation and this form in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal. Give the sealed letter directly to the student.

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