Welcome Transfer Students!

Center for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (CEMaST)
Cal Poly Pomona is a top regional public university.

We are a proud member of the California State University (CSU) System.

Cal Poly is one of the most affordable university systems in the country.

Transfer students are welcome: good academic standing, GPA 2.0, and completed 60 semester units or 90 quarter units.

CPP embraces creativity, innovation, diversity, and hands-on learning.
The Center for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching promotes excellent and effective STEM teaching and learning at all levels. One of our goals is to support Cal Poly students who are interested in obtaining their single subject teaching credentials in math or science and we are committed to improving mathematics and science teaching and learning for pre-K-16 students.

The CSU Chancellor's Office provides CEMaST with Mathematics and Science Teacher Initiative (MSTI) funds to increase the number and diversity of highly qualified STEM teachers. To meet CSU's goals, CEMaST administers MSTI funds by providing scholarships to support Cal Poly students on their pathway to teaching.

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- CEMaST works closely with community colleges to assure a clear pathway to the teaching pipeline.
- CEMaST and PolyTransfer will support students by working one-on-one in developing an efficient transfer process for student success.
- CEMaST advisors will develop a program plan for the teaching credential and provide support and resources including recommending scholarship and fellowship opportunities.
Steps to Becoming a Math or Science Teacher

✔ Becoming a public math or science teacher requires both a bachelor’s degree and a single subject credential in math or science.

✔ Subject matter competency must be met by either coursework or passing the appropriate CSET tests.

✔ Cal Poly’s College of Science has subject matter competency waivers approved by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) in Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Geosciences, Mathematics, Physics and Foundational Level General Science.

✔ Credential coursework can be taken as an undergraduate student; contact CEMaST at cemast@cpp.edu for advising.

✔ The College of Education offers different coursework pathways to complete the teaching credential. Pathways
Scholarship Opportunities

**MSTI Scholarship:** Math and science majors and credential students are eligible for up to $10,000 to obtain their single subject credential in math or science. MSTI

**MSTI STEM Authorization Award:** Math and science students wanting to add a supplemental to their credential are eligible for a $1,000 award. MSTI STEM

**PIE Scholarship:** Credential students are eligible for a $4,000 Partners in Education Scholarship while completing their clinical practice. PIE

**TEACH Grant:** The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant Program is a non-need-based grant program available to students who plan to complete coursework to begin a career in teaching and who agrees to teach full-time for at least four years as a highly qualified teacher. TEACH

**Golden State Teacher Grant:** The GSTG encourages students to consider earning a teaching credential and teach in a high-need field in California for four years. Students are eligible for up to $20,000. GSTG

**PELL Grant:** The Pell Grant is a federal grant offered to undergraduate students and students enrolled in a post baccalaureate teacher certification program. Grant amounts change yearly and depend on your financial need, cost of attendance, status as a full-time or part-time student and your academic plans. PELL
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Thank You!

CEMaST looks forward to working with you to develop a program plan for your teaching career and provide you with resources including scholarship and fellowship opportunities!