

CSU PRE-Professor Program (UCI-PREPP)

Program Description

The Pre-Professor Program (PREPP) is designed to support the University of California, Irvine (UCI) doctoral students' and postdoctoral scholars' transition to a faculty position by engaging them in a semester-long program at a California State University (CSU) campus. In addition, PREPP is a blueprint to support CSU's efforts to foster a pipeline for prospective new faculty. The goal of PREPP is to immerse participants in the life of a faculty member at a comprehensive master's granting institution. PREPP fellows will have individual mentorship from an experienced Faculty Mentor in three broad categories: Instruction, Understanding the Campus Culture, and Service.

We accept applications from candidates with expertise in any discipline/department represented at CSU. Visit the CSU website to determine if your area of study is represented at a CSU (<https://www.calstate.edu/attend/degrees-certificates-credentials/Pages/search-degrees.aspx>).

Applicants from underrepresented groups and those who are champions of diversity are encouraged to apply.

Application Instructions

Please prepare the following documents:

1. Curriculum Vitae
2. Personal Statement (*500 words or less*) which focuses on the following prompts:
 1. Tell us about yourself.
 2. Why are you applying for this program? What do you hope to gain from the experience?
 3. Where do you see yourself in 5 years?
3. Teaching Interest / Experience Statement. Your statement might include responses to the following prompts (*500 words or less*)
 1. What teaching experience have you had? Describe your strengths and weaknesses as an instructor.
 2. What do you want to learn about teaching and instructionally related activities?
 3. What do you think teaching diverse undergraduate students might look like?
 4. What do you think would be the most effective approaches to teaching diverse undergraduate students?
 5. Describe a particularly memorable teaching/learning episode.
4. [UCI Research Mentor Approval Form](#) - to be emailed directly by Mentor (*Download*)
5. Fill out the PREPP Confidential Data Sheet - <https://tinyurl.com/PREPP-Confidential-Data-Sheet>

Once you have completed the above documents, please complete the PREPP application and upload your documents to <https://tinyurl.com/CSU-PREPP-UCI-PREPP>

Finalists will be contacted for an interview (via zoom). Those accepted into the program must submit paperwork. The form and instructions will be provided with the acceptance letter.

*PREPP Fellows will participate in PREPP activities during the **semester schedule (August to December for the Fall semester and January to May for the Spring semester)***

Please complete applications by the due date. For more information about the program, attend the upcoming information session: