

CA High Road Training Grant Kick-Off Meeting

Today's Agenda

- About WGU and Competency-Based Education
- WGU School of Education Facts
- CA High Road Training Partnership Grant Opportunity
- Program Eligibility
- Enrollment and Program Timelines
- Next Steps



Western Governors University

An Online School Built for Students Like You



Western Governors University

Accredited

- Awarded and praised in national media.

Online

- Total flexibility, 24/7 access, mentor guided support.

Nonprofit

- Our top priority is student success.

Competency-based education



Measuring Skills - Competency-based education measures skills and learning rather than time spent in a classroom.



Competency Units - Students earn competency units (the equivalent of credit hours) when they demonstrate their skills through completing assessments.



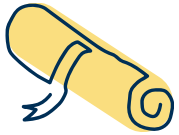
Master the Material - Rather than advancing only when the semester or term ends, you can progress through courses as soon as you've proved you've mastered the material.

WGU School of Education

A Path to a Respected Teaching Degree



WGU School of Education Overview



In the **top 1%** for granting degrees to Black and Latino educators at both the graduate and undergraduate levels.



Second in the nation for awarding combined graduate and undergraduate degrees and credentials to students of color.



Accredited by both the **Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation** (CAEP) and the **Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation** (AAQEP).



Top producer of **STEM** educators nationwide.

CA High Road Opportunity

Paraprofessional to Licensed Teacher Program

CA High Road Grant Opportunity

- \$4.86 million grant to serve paraeducators in California who want to upskill as licensed teachers.
- This is a 24-month program to support students through their coursework, student teaching, licensure, and job placement.
- The grant covers tuition and a \$9,000 stipend for student teaching (paid over 12 weeks).
- Start date for eligible undergraduate programs within School of Education is **April 2024**.



Program Eligibility



Any classified employee without a teaching degree/credential. Participants can have a degree in a different discipline.



Participants should have a minimum of 45 transferable credits.



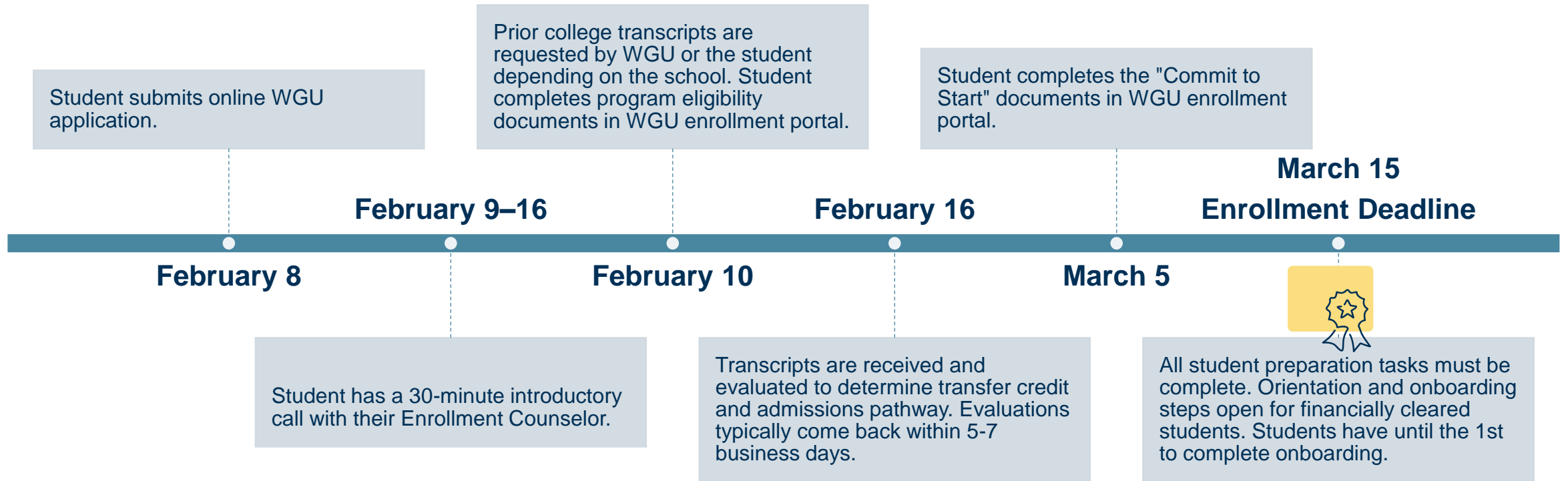
Students must complete the program in 24 months to complete the program.



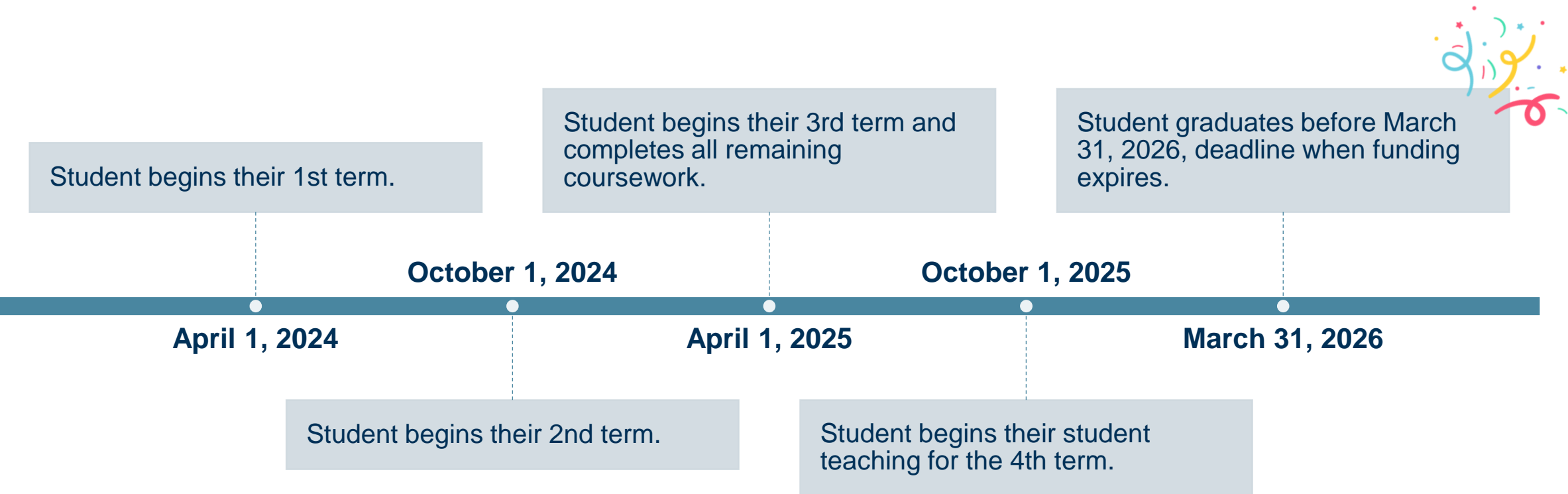
Eligible WGU Programs

- BA in Elementary Education
- BS in Mathematics Education (middle grades)
- BS in Science Education (middle grades)
- BS in Mathematics (secondary)
- BS in Science Education (Secondary Biology)
- BS in Science Education (Secondary Chemistry)
- BS in Science Education (Secondary Earth Science)
- BS in Science Education (Secondary Physics)
- MAT in Elementary Education
- MAT in Mathematics Education (middle grades)
- MAT in Mathematics (secondary)
- MAT in Science Education (Secondary)

Suggested 2024 Enrollment Timeline



Suggested Program Timeline



Next Steps



Identify qualified paraeducators on your campus or in your school district that would benefit from the support but also complete the program within the timeframe.



Share the landing page and handout with eligible students.



Schedule an information session with us to share details with interested paraeducators.



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A woman with dark hair, wearing a dark top, is speaking at a podium. A microphone is positioned in front of her. The background is dark and out of focus.

Thank you.

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