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The California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH) TTT project will recruit, prepare, place and retain 120 highly qualified new teachers (30 per year in four annual cohorts), who will teach math, science and English in 13 middle schools (grades 6-8) and five high schools—all high-need—in the high-need Compton and Inglewood Unified School Districts in Los Angeles County. We will recruit recent graduates, mid-career professionals, paraprofessionals and liberal studies majors pursuing a single-subject credential into an accelerated credential pathway. Participants will earn a preliminary teaching credential in one year while working as university intern teachers in the targeted schools, and a full credential two years after. Participants will have the option to combine their required new-teacher induction program with an integrated master's degree program, and to earn National Board certification in one year. The model builds on CSUDH's prior experience in recruiting and preparing teachers via accelerated programs, including a cohort structure, extensive support, credential coursework delivered in the districts, and innovatively structured coursework to ease the burden on first-year teachers. The project will ensure that low-income students of color are taught by high-quality teachers in critical subjects.

