STEM Inventory

Entry# 329

Program-Title CalTeach Berkeley

Higher-Education-based

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Service-Region Bay Area

Org-Type

Type Professional Development for Teachers | Student Program

Subjects General Science | Biology | Math | Chemistry | Physics | Earth Science | Environmental Science

Level Elementary School (K-5th grade) | Middle School (5-8th grade) | High School (9-12th grade) | Undergraduate | Teacher

Certification | Professional Development

Other-Objectives \*To support local math and science classrooms by providing science, math and engineering college-going role models during the

semester \*To recruit, prepare, support and retain highly qualified mathematics and science teachers specifically trained for work in

urban schools

Served-per-Year 150 Demographics

Content Cal Teach is an undergraduate teacher education program for math, science and engineering majors. Students complete their STEM major, while also taking coursework in education, and having field experiences working with students and mentor teacher in local

public schools. The Cal Teach program also includes a summer research institute where students work in a scientific research lab and have a 4 hour a week course about integrating research into K12 teaching. The program also includes workshops and professional

development for both undergraduates and mentor teachers.

Outcomes The main outcome for the program is to encourage science, math and engineering majors to becomes middle and high school math

and science teachers. A secondary outcome is to encourage more K12 students to pursue college and STEM majors in college.

Started Spring 2006 Funded-Through Spring 2012

Length Ongoing Cost

Primary-Funding Foundation | Academia | Donations Primary-\$

Materials We currently have an experimental credential program proposal in with the CCTC and expect to be approved to award teaching

credentials beginning in Fall 2009. Cal Teach also has a Noyce scholarship program to provide financial support to math, science and

Other-Funding

How-Assessed Cal Teach has a research and evaluation program to assess the effectiveness of the program and to contribute to research in teacher

education.

Best-Practice-Why The program has been modeled after the UTeach program which is considered nationally a best practice. Cal Teach Berkeley has been

adapted to meet the needs of our Bay Area context. As part of our experimental credential program proposal, we plan to evaluate the

attributes of our program and the quality of the teachers we prepare.

**Promising-Practice** 

Sponsor National Math and Science Initiative Sponsor-Org http://www.nationalmathandscience.org/

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Other-Orgs Cal Teach Berkeley is part of a UC systemwide effort to increase the number of math and science teachers in California. Cal Teach

Berkeley is also part of a national UTeach replication effort lead by the National Math and Science Initiative (NMSI)