

Teacher Residency Program vs. Intern Credential Program

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Are you wondering which type of credential program is right for you? There are [traditional teacher preparation programs](#), teacher residency programs, and [intern credential programs](#). This table only explains the difference between a teacher residency program and an intern credential program because a majority of Rivet School's partner programs fall into these two categories.

	Teacher Residency Program	Intern Credential Program
How does it work?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are paired with an experienced teacher of record who will lead the class that you are a resident in. You assume classroom responsibilities gradually with the support of your mentor teacher (learn before doing). You are expected to complete additional coursework. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are the teacher of record. You are leading the classroom with limited support (learn by doing). You are expected to complete additional coursework.
Do I get paid?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You earn a living stipend from the credential program (varies depending on the program). In most teacher residency programs, you aren't in the classroom 5 days/week so you can substitute teach or work at another part-time job. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are paid a salary with benefits by your school employer.
What are the benefits?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More preparation before leading a classroom Likelihood of job placement upon completion of program Improved retention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paid employment Fast track to leading a classroom
What are the drawbacks?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don't earn a salary (would require financial planning) Limited flexibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited support Pressure to perform (leading to burnout)
Who are some of Rivet School's partners?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alder Marshall Street Teachers College of San Joaquin WCCUSD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers College of San Joaquin