

Teaching in California

Individuals who have completed their professional preparation program outside of California may apply directly to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for their initial credential by submitting an application packet.

- [Create User ID](#)
- [Submit a Paper Application](#) (out-of-state applicants)

Application form, requirements, fingerprinting, etc.:

- [Special Education candidates](#)
- [Secondary and Music candidates](#)
- [Elementary candidates](#)

Suggested for Submission

- [Verification of completion of the basic skills requirement](#)
 - Multiple ways to satisfy this (e.g., qualifying ACT or SAT scores, etc.)
 - You will have one year to meet this requirement if you do not verify when you apply

Details about

- [Teaching Credentials Requirements](#)
- [Services Credential Requirements](#) (administrative, pupil services, speech)

Visit [Teach California](#) for more info!

These requirements may change. Always verify requirements with the appropriate state office.

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