Teaching in California

Individuals who have completed their professional preparation program outside of California may apply directly to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (https://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/apply) for their initial credential by submitting an application packet consisting of all of the following:

- Application: read instructions for downloading and completing the paper application
- Fingerprint Clearance: complete non-resident process
- Official transcripts
- **Required Supporting Documentation**, as described on the Teaching Credentials Requirements website. Students will choose “Route 1 – Less than Two Years of Out-of-State Teaching Experience”
  - Special Education candidates will go to “Special Education Teaching Credential”
  - Secondary and Music candidates click on “General Education Teaching Credentials,” and under “Single Subject Teaching Credential,” click on “Out of State Prepared”
  - Elementary candidates click on “General Education Teaching Credentials,” and under “Multiple Subject Credential,” click on “Out of State Prepared”
- Application processing fee
- Verification of completion of the basic skills requirement
- Photocopies of out-of-state credentials (your Connecticut certification)

Also, visit: http://www.teachcalifornia.org/

*These requirements may change. Always verify requirements with the appropriate state office. July 30, 2018*