

## Applicants for First Time Connecticut Certification

### Fact Sheet #103

#### Eligibility Based Upon Program Preparation

To obtain Connecticut educator certification, you must:

1. Successfully complete a state approved planned program of general academic and professional education at a regionally accredited institution;
2. Pass the Praxis I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) or present official evidence from Educational Testing Service (ETS) of meeting the waiver; and
3. Pass Praxis II Subject-Knowledge Tests, for those endorsements where a test is required.

#### Eligibility Based Upon Teaching Experience

To obtain Connecticut teacher certification, you must:

1. Document no less than 20 school months of successful, appropriate full-time teaching experience in the same approved non-public school OR an out-of-state public school under a valid certificate;
2. Pass the Praxis I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) or present official evidence from Educational Testing Service (ETS) of meeting the waiver;
3. Pass Praxis II Subject-Knowledge Tests, for those endorsements where a test is required; and
4. Successfully complete all general academic and professional education required course work for the endorsement area(s) sought.

Refer to *A Guide to Educator Certification in Connecticut (#130)*, *A Guide to Educator Assessments in Connecticut (#131)*, *A Guide to Educator Preparation Programs in Connecticut (#132)*, and *Certification for Out-of-State Applicants (Fact Sheet/Packet #106)* for additional information. (May be requested on Request Form #127.)

The following is a list of institutions in Connecticut which offer approved educator preparation programs:

| <u>Institution</u>                    | <u>Telephone Number</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Central Connecticut State University  | (860) 832-2125          |
| Connecticut College                   | (860) 439-2760          |
| Eastern Connecticut State University  | (860) 465-5293          |
| Fairfield University                  | (203) 254-4000          |
| Mitchell College                      | (860) 701-5090          |
| Quinnipiac University                 | (203) 281-8702          |
| Sacred Heart University               | (203) 365-7514          |
| Saint Joseph College                  | (860) 232-4571          |
| Southern Connecticut State University | (203) 392-5900          |
| University of Bridgeport              | (203) 576-4206          |
| University of Connecticut             | (860) 486-3816          |
| University of Hartford                | (860) 768-5259          |
| University of New Haven               | (203) 932-7335          |
| Western Connecticut State University  | (203) 837-9500          |
| Yale College                          | (203) 432-1896          |

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