There are many pathways to becoming an educator. Here’s a quick guide to earning your Special Subjects Credential - CA

Subjects include areas in Aviation Flight Instruction, Aviation Ground Instruction, Basic Military Drill, Driver Education and Training, Limited Driver Training, and Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC).

**START!**

High school diploma (or equivalent)

Verify four years of experience or education and possess the appropriate license, appropriate course work, or obtain the recommendation of the appropriate agency

Regionally-accredited college or university U.S. Constitution course or exam

Offer of employment in a school/district AND Certificate of Clearance (Fingerprinting)

While you are teaching you will also complete the following:
- Credential Coursework
- CPR for Infant, Child and Adults Certification
- Health Education

**TIPS!**

Special Teaching Authorization in Physical Education
- The Special Teaching Authorization in Physical Education authorizes the holder to teach physical education courses in basic military drill and physical fitness training in grades 12 and below, and classes organized primarily for adults.
- Authorization is limited to the areas of basic military drill and physical fitness training.

The school/district will let you know what level of clearance and type of fingerprints are required. SDCOE has fingerprinting services on our main campus and in San Marcos. www.sdcoe.net/credentials

Videos to help you prepare for a teaching career at bit.ly/EDUcareervideos

For Complete Credential Information and Details See ctc.ca.gov/credentials

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