

1800.1500 EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE.

Subpart 1. **Examination requirement.** An applicant for licensure as a landscape architect shall pass the examination referred to in part 1800.1700. An applicant for licensure under part 1800.0800, item F, must satisfy the Minnesota licensing requirements in effect at the time of the applicant's original licensure in the other state.

Subp. 2. **Admissions to examination.** For admission to the examination, an applicant shall apply directly to the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB) and follow the procedures outlined by CLARB.

Subp. 3. **Education requirement.**

A. An applicant for licensure as a landscape architect shall present evidence of:

(1) graduation from a landscape architecture master's degree program accredited by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) or the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Council (LAAC);

(2) graduation from a landscape architecture baccalaureate degree program accredited by LAAB or LAAC;

(3) graduation from a non-LAAB or non-LAAC accredited baccalaureate curriculum in landscape architecture; an NAAB-accredited degree architecture program; or an architectural, civil, or structural engineering degree program that is EAC-ABET accredited; or

(4) graduation from any baccalaureate degree program from an accredited institution of higher education, or a two-year associate's or certificate program in landscape architecture.

B. An applicant under item A, subitem (3) or (4), with a degree from a foreign institution must provide an education evaluation report from an education evaluation service approved by the board, along with the application, as evidence of equivalency.

Subp. 4. **Experience requirement.** An applicant for licensure as a landscape architect shall present evidence of completion of the experience requirement in items A to D.

A. The number of years of professional experience required is:

(1) two years, if the applicant meets the education requirements in subpart 3, item A, subitem (1);

(2) three years, if the applicant meets the education requirements in subpart 3, item A, subitem (2); or

(3) six years, if the applicant meets the education requirements in subpart 3, item A, subitem (3) or (4).

B. An applicant must acquire qualifying experience after graduation from one of the education curricula listed in subpart 3. The applicant must acquire qualifying experience under the direct supervision of a licensed landscape architect.

C. Qualifying experience under the direct supervision of a licensed architect or licensed professional engineer must receive full credit up to a maximum of one year when the work is related to landscape architecture.

D. Qualifying experience gained before graduation from one of the education curricula in subpart 3 must be credited to satisfy part of the requirements for qualifying landscape architect experience under this subpart under the following conditions:

- (1) experience must be under the direct supervision of a licensed landscape architect;
- (2) experience must be gained in increments of 90 days or more; and
- (3) experience must be credited at a rate of 50 percent.

This credit must not exceed one year of qualifying experience.

Subp. 5. [Repealed, 35 SR 2011]

Subp. 6. Qualifying experience defined.

A. As used in this part, "qualifying experience" consists of varied, progressive, nonrepetitive, practical experience at landscape architectural work that develops the applicant's ability to apply the knowledge gained during academic training to make sound judgments in solving landscape architectural problems and prepares the applicant to assume responsible charge of the work involved in the practice of landscape architecture. The experience must include elements of:

- (1) project and construction management, which includes preproject management, project management, bidding, construction, and maintenance;
- (2) inventory and analysis, which includes site inventory, physical analysis, and contextual analysis;
- (3) design, which includes stakeholder process, master planning, and site design; and
- (4) grading, drainage, and construction documentation, which includes site preparation plans, general plans and details, specialty plans, and specifications.

B. Experience must be written in detail, verified by the applicant's supervisor, and submitted with the application for licensure for evaluation.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 326.06; 326.10*

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