



ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Schedule 1: Internship in Architecture Program (IAP) Requirements

Summary of IAP Manual and Appendix B Requirements

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1.0 Background and Authority

- 1.1 These registration requirements are authorized under AIBC Bylaw X. They set out the education, experience, and examination requirements to be eligible to register as an Architect AIBC through the Internship in Architecture Program.
- 1.2 The national internship program was established by Canadian architectural regulators to maintain a standard of registration and licensing in Canada. The internship period allows an intern to obtain the requisite architectural experience in a supervised and mentored environment prior to registration as an architect in Canada.
- 1.3 The Internship in Architecture Program (IAP) Manual documents the Canadian Architectural Experience Standard established by Canadian architectural regulators. AIBC's Appendix B to the IAP Manual includes specific registration requirements that vary slightly from the IAP Manual. Each Canadian jurisdiction is responsible for developing its Appendix B.

2.0 Registration Requirements

Education

Formal Education

- 2.1 Intern Architects AIBC must have graduated from an accredited architectural program as certified by the Canadian Architectural Certification Board.

AIBC Professional Development Courses

- 2.2 Intern Architects AIBC must complete the following AIBC courses, or its equivalent, per the Appendix B to the IAP Manual.

- Architect & the Law
- BC Building Code
- Construction Administration
- Ethics, *Act* & Bylaws

Experience

2.3 Completion of at least 3,720 total hours with minimum number of hours logged under each architectural experience category as outlined in the national Internship in Architecture Program Manual (IAP Manual) and reproduced below for reference. These hours must be obtained under the direct supervision and direction of a Supervising Architect as defined by the IAP Manual.

CATEGORY A: Design and Construction Documents		Min. Hours Required
1	Programming	80
2	Site and Environmental Analysis	80
3	Schematic Design	240
4	Engineering Systems Integration	140
5	Building Cost Analysis*	80
6	Code Research*	120
7	Envelope Detailing	80
8	Design Development	320
9	Construction Documents	760
10	Specifications and Material Research*	120
11	Document Checking and Coordination*	100
12	Energy Literacy/Sustainability	80
*May occur in multiple phases of a project		
Min. Hours		2200
CATEGORY B: Construction Administration		
13	Procurement and Contract Award	120
14	Construction Phase – Office	200
15	Construction Phase – Site	200
Min. Hours		520
CATEGORY C: Management		
16	Management of the Project	120
17	Business/Practice Management	120
Min. Hours		240
Total Hours required in Categories A, B, C:		2960
Remaining Additional Hours (may be gained in experience areas 1-17):		760
TOTAL ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCE HOURS REQUIRED:		3720

- 2.3.1 Completion of a minimum of 940 hours (approximately six months) of experience in British Columbia under the personal supervision and direction of an Architect AIBC. This experience must be gained on projects located in British Columbia and must be completed under categories A, B or C of the experience category within the three years prior to the date upon which application for registration as an architect is made. These 940 hours can be part of the 3,720 hours mentioned in section 2.2. Please refer to Appendix B to the IAP Manual.

Examination

2.4 Successful completion of the following:

- 2.4.1 Examination for Architects in Canada (ExAC), the national examination required by Canadian architectural regulators to test the minimum standards of competency acquired by an Intern during the internship period, to ensure both public safety and the professional and skilled delivery of architectural services.
- 2.4.2 Architect Registration Examination – In lieu of the ExAC, the AIBC accepts the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards' (NCARB) Architect Registration Examination (ARE) examinations as meeting the exam requirement towards initial registration for a fixed period, as follows:
- The AREs will be accepted until January 19, 2023.
 - Intern Architects AIBC who have successfully completed at least one division of the ARE as of January 2022 will have until January 19, 2024 to complete the remaining divisions and submit their results as meeting the exam requirement towards initial registration.

3.0 Application

- 3.1 Intern Architects AIBC must complete all the AIBC courses and experience requirements as indicated in the Appendix B to the IAP Manual to be eligible to sit the Oral examination.
- 3.2 Intern Architects who have completed all the registration requirements in section 2 are eligible to register as Architects AIBC and must complete and submit the applicable AIBC application form.