

THE ROAD TO REGISTRATION

NOTE: The information below applies to British Columbia only. Entry standards vary from one jurisdiction to another.

The British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects (BCSLA) regulates the profession of landscape architecture according to provincial statute. To become a Member of the BCSLA, you must successfully complete an oral exam conducted by the provincially appointed Board of Examiners. There are two methods to qualify for the exam: a) Internship (for those who have applicable education and/or employment related to landscape architecture) or b) Reciprocity (for those who are registered as landscape architects in good standing in another jurisdiction recognized by the Board of Directors and have been so for 10 or more years, or are CLARB certified). The process for Internship starts below at step **1a**, **b**, or **c**, depending upon the Applicant's education and/or experience. Applicants who qualify for Reciprocity can go directly to step **6**.

1a) Applicant has a degree in Landscape Architecture from a university program recognized by the Board of Directors.

1b) Applicant has six years of documented experience related to landscape architecture as approved by the Board of Directors.

1c) Applicant has a degree in an allied field with documented experience related to landscape architecture as approved by the Board of Directors.

2) Applicant applies for BCSLA Intern status to the Credentials Committee stating their educational and/or experiential qualifications.

3) Credentials Committee forwards accepted application to the Board of Directors.

4) Board of Directors approves application for BCSLA Intern status and Registrar invites Applicant to begin writing the LARE pre-exams and to begin logging relevant experience.

5a) Applicant successfully completes all sections of the LARE pre-exams.

5b) Applicant completes and documents minimum two years of employment related to landscape architecture.

6) Applicant makes an application to the Credentials Committee to become a Member.

7) Credentials Committee recommends Applicant to the Board of Directors for Oral Exams.

8) Board of Directors accepts application to go before the Board of Examiners.

9) Applicant completes oral examination by demonstrating a minimum understanding of the legal and ethical requirements of Landscape Architects in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

10) Board of Examiners accepts Applicant as a Member. Registrar notifies the new Member.

For further information on the registration process please contact the BCSLA Registrar or Executive Director by telephone at 604.682.5610 or toll free (Canada & US) at 855.682.5610, or by email at admin@bcsla.org.