

Fair Registration Practices Report

Architects (2015)

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1. Qualitative Information

a) Requirements for registration, including acceptable alternatives
i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.
An MRA was signed with Australia and New Zealand on February 18, 2015.
ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.
No one has applied through this MRA yet. An APEC Architect in Australia or New Zealand is entitled to registration in Canada as of right, apart from being assessed about any aspects of the architectural process in Canada that is specific to Canada. The same applies for a Canadian APEC Architect applying for registration in Australia or New Zealand.
iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.
No changes this year
b) Assessment of qualifications
i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.
No changes this year
ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.
No changes this year
iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.
No changes this year
c) Provision of timely decisions, responses, and reasons
i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.
No changes this year
ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.
No changes this year
iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.
No changes this year
d) Fees
i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

2015 Examination for Architects in Canada (ExAC) is \$912.00 (\$228.00 per Section)(No HST).

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

e) Timelines

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

No changes this year

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

f) Policies, procedures and/or processes, including by-laws

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

No changes this year

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

g) Resources for applicants

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

No changes this year

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

h) Review or appeal processes

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

No changes this year

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

i) Access to applicant records

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

No changes this year

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

j) Training and resources for registration staff, Council, and committee members

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

No changes this year

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

k) Mutual recognition agreements

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

MRA Between Canada, Australia and New Zealand

Canada, Australia and New Zealand signed a mutual recognition arrangement (MRA) that allows for fast-track cross-border registrations of senior architects between the three economies

The MRA has come about as a result of Canada's, Australia's and New Zealand's participation in the APEC Architect Project. All three economies maintain an APEC Architect Register of senior architects who have met a number of criteria including having at least seven years' senior experience.

As a result of the MRA signed, an APEC Architect in Australia or New Zealand is entitled to registration in Canada as of right, apart from being assessed about any aspects of the architectural process in Canada that is specific to Canada. The same applies for a Canadian APEC Architect applying for registration in Australia or New Zealand.

Please see the link to the CALA Bulletin for more information:

<http://www.oaa.on.ca/index.php?o=show-page&preview=on&id=1343>

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

l) Other (include as many items as applicable)

i. Describe any improvements / changes implemented in the last year.

No changes this year

ii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on applicants.

No changes this year

iii. Describe the impact of the improvements / changes on your organization.

No changes this year

Describe any registration-related improvements/changes to your enabling legislation and/or regulations in the last year

No changes this year

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2. Quantitative Information

a) Languages

Indicate the languages in which application information materials were available in the reporting year.

Language	Yes/No
English	Yes
French	No

Other (please specify)

Additional comments:

We are translating the English language forms into French.

b) Gender of applicants

Indicate the number of applicants in each category as applicable.

Gender	Number of Applicants
Male	144
Female	124
None of the above	0

Additional comments:

c) Gender of members

Indicate the number of members in each category as applicable. Select the option that best corresponds to the terminology used by your organization.

Gender	Number of Members
Male	2814
Female	878
None of the above	0

Additional comments:

d) Jurisdiction where applicants obtained their initial education

Indicate the number of applicants by the jurisdiction where they obtained their initial education¹ in the profession or trade.

Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
148	27	15	Belarus 1	0	268
			Belgium 1		
			Bosnia And Herzegovina 1		
			Brazil 3		
			China 3		
			Colombia 2		
			Cuba 1		
			Cyprus 1		
			Egypt 10		
			France 1		
			India 9		
			Iran 21		
			Iraq 3		
			Israel 2		
			Jordan 4		
			Kenya 1		

Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
			Lebanon 1		
			Philippines 3		
			Russia 1		
			S Arabia 1		
			Spain 1		
			Switzerland 1		
			Syrian Arab Republic 1		
			Turkey 2		
			Ukraine 1		
			United Arab Emirates 1		
			U.K. 1		
			Total 78		

¹ Recognizing that applicants may receive their education in multiple jurisdictions, for the purpose of this question, include only the jurisdiction in which an entry-level degree, diploma or other certification required to practice the profession or trade was obtained.

Additional comments:

e) Jurisdiction where applicants who became registered members obtained their initial education

Indicate the number of applicants who became registered members in the reporting year by the jurisdiction where they obtained their initial education¹ in the profession or trade.

Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
			Argentina 1		
			Bangladesh 1		
			China 1		
			Colombia 4		
			Egypt 4		
			Ethiopia 1		
			Germany 1		
			Hong Kong 1		
			India 3		
			Iran 7		
			Iraq 3		
			Italy 1		
96	41	45	Jordan 1	0	228
			Lebanon 2		
			Pakistan 2		
			Poland 1		
			Romania 2		
			Russia 1		
			Serbia 3		
			Slovakia 1		
			Sri Lanka 1		
			Ukraine 2		
			U.K. 1		
			Venezuela 1		
			Total 46		

¹ Recognizing that applicants may receive their education in multiple jurisdictions, for the purpose of this question, include only the jurisdiction in which an entry-level degree, diploma or other certification required to practice the profession or trade was obtained.

Additional comments:

f) Jurisdiction where members were initially trained

Indicate the total number of registered members by jurisdiction where they obtained their initial education¹ in the profession or trade.

Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
1791	726	547	Albania 1	15	3692
			Algeria 1		

Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
			Argentina 7		
			Armenia 1		
			Australia 7		
			Bangladesh 4		
			Bosnia And Herzegovina 3		
			Brazil 4		
			Bulgaria 10		
			Chile 1		
			China 37		
			Colombia 13		
			Croatia 3		
			Cuba 1		
			Czech Republic 5		
			Denmark 1		
			Egypt 43		
			Ethiopia 2		
			France 5		
			Germany 12		
			Greece 1		
			Hong Kong 5		
			Hungary 4		
			India 52		
			Indonesia 1		
			Iran 61		
			Iraq 19		
			Ireland 8		
			Israel 3		
			Italy 8		
			Japan 1		
			Jordan 6		
			Kenya 2		
			Korea 2		
			Lebanon 12		
			Macedonia, The Former Yugo 4		
			Mexico 6		
			Netherlands 3		
			New Zealand 3		
			Pakistan 8		
			Paraguay 1		
			Peru 3		
			Philippines 15		
			Poland 54		
			Portugal 1		
			Puerto Rico 1		
			Romania 26		
			Russia 12		
			Scotland 9		
			Serbia 7		
			Slovakia 3		
			S. Africa 10		
			Sri Lanka 3		
			Sweden 1		
			Switzerland 1		
			Syrian Arab Republic 8		
			Tunisia 1		
			Turkey 6		
			Ukraine 10		
			United Arab Emirates 1		
			U.K. 53		
			Venezuela 4		
			Viet Nam 2		
			OTHER 11		
			Total 613		

¹ Recognizing that applicants may receive their education in multiple jurisdictions, for the purpose of this question, include only the jurisdiction in which an entry-level degree, diploma or other certification required to practice the profession or trade was obtained.

Additional comments:

Other - 11 is because you do not have Yugoslavia on the list - while it does not exist any longer we have some members who were educated in that former country. For ease of reference, anyone who was USSR is included in Russia.

g) Applications processed

Indicate the number of applications your organization processed in the reporting year:

Jurisdiction where applicants were initially trained in the profession (before they were granted use of the protected title or professional designation in Ontario)

from January 1 st to December 31 st of the reporting year	Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
New applications received	148	27	15	78	0	268
Applicants actively pursuing licensing (applicants who had some contact with your organization in the reporting year)	791	161	85	475	0	1512
Inactive applicants (applicants who had no contact with your organization in the reporting year)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Applicants who met all requirements and were authorized to become members but did not become members	0	0	0	0	0	0
Applicants who became FULLY registered members	96	41	45	46	0	228
Applicants who were authorized to receive an alternative class of licence³ but were not issued a licence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Applicants who were issued an alternative class of licence³	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ An alternative class of licence enables its holder to practice with limitations, but additional requirements must be met in order for the member to be fully licensed.

Additional comments:

h) Classes of certificate/license

Indicate and provide a description of the classes of certificate/license offered by your organization.

You must specify and describe at least one class of certificate/license (on line a) in order for this step to be complete.

#	Certification	Description
		Description (a)
a)	Architect	<p>The Architects Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A. 26, s. 1 states as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Definitions</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1. In this Act,...</p> <p>“architect” means the holder of a licence, a certificate of practice or a temporary licence; (“architecte”)...</p> <p>“licence” means a licence to engage in the practice of architecture issued under this Act; (“permis”)...</p> <p>“practice of architecture” means,</p> <p>(a) the preparation or provision of a design to govern the construction, enlargement or alteration of a building,</p> <p>(b) evaluating, advising on or reporting on the construction, enlargement or alteration of a building, or</p>

(c) a general review of the construction, enlargement or alteration of a building; ("exercice de la profession d'architecte") ..."

Additional comments:

i) Reviews and appeals processed

State the number of reviews and appeals your organization processed in the reporting year (use only whole numbers; do not enter commas or decimals).

Jurisdiction where applicants were initially trained in the profession (before they were granted use of the protected title or professional designation in Ontario)

from January 1 st to December 31 st of the reporting year	Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
Applications that were subject to an internal review or that were referred to a statutory committee of your governing council, such as a Registration Committee	3	2	0	6	0	11
Applicants who initiated an appeal of a registration decision	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appeals heard	0	0	0	0	0	0
Registration decisions changed following an appeal	0	0	0	0	0	0

Additional comments:

j) Paid staff

In the table below, enter the number of paid staff employed by your organization in the categories shown, on December 31 of the reporting year.

When providing information for each of the categories in this section, you may want to use decimals if you count your staff using half units. For example, one full-time employee and one part-time employee might be equivalent to 1.5 employees.

You can enter decimals to the tenths position only. For example, you can enter 1.5 or 7.5 but not 1.55 or 7.52.

Category	Staff
Total staff employed by the regulatory body	26
Staff involved in appeals process	2
Staff involved in registration process	5

Additional comments:

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3. Submission

I hereby certify that:

Name of individual with authority to sign on behalf of the organization:

Nedra Brown

Title:

Registrar

Date:

2016/02/22

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