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Eligibility:

Architects who do not have a professional architecture degree from a National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) accredited program are eligible to apply for an NCARB Certificate through the Broadly Experienced Architect (BEA) program if they:

- Hold current architectural registration issued by a U.S. jurisdiction
- Have comprehensive experience as a registered architect over a prescribed number of years:
 - Six years for architects who hold a pre-professional degree in architecture that is a component of a NAAB-accredited, CACB-accredited, or CACB-certified professional degree program
 - Eight years for architects who hold any other baccalaureate or higher degree
 - Ten years for architects who do not hold a degree

The BEA Program allows architects to demonstrate learning through experience to satisfy the NCARB *Education Standard*. The BEA process requires establishment of an NCARB Record, evaluation of education (required for candidates who have more than 64 semester credit hours of post-secondary education), preparation of a dossier to demonstrate learning through experience, and a personal interview.

Requirements for reciprocal registration vary between jurisdictions. It is important for each BEA candidate to confirm registration requirements including reciprocity requirements with the individual jurisdiction (<http://www.ncarb.org/stateboards/index.html>).

To contact the BEA Program:
BEA@ncarb.org or 202/783-6500

For further information about the BEA Program including detailed information about eligibility, application, process, schedule, and fees, please refer to:
<http://www.ncarb.org/certification/beaR.html>