

Dear Examination Candidate,

The Oregon State Landscape Architect Board (Board) requires passage of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) as its examination standard for registration as a Landscape Architect. The LARE is prepared, administered, and scored by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB). The LARE is a 4-part examination. CLARB administers the LARE at numerous sites, including various sites in Oregon, during 3 different administration windows each year. To check the schedule or review other details about the LARE, go to www.clarb.org. Examination candidates do not need approval from the Board to start the examination process. Go directly to CLARB to register.

When an examination candidate has passed at least 2 sections of the LARE and is working towards registration as a Landscape Architect, the candidate may apply to become registered in Oregon as a Landscape Architect-in-Training (LAIT). The LAIT is a title only registration. A LAIT cannot independently practice landscape architecture in Oregon. LAIT registration must be renewed annually and may only be renewed if the LAIT is working under the direct supervision of a Registered Landscape Architect (RLA) as confirmed by the RLA.

When an examination candidate has passed all 4 sections of the LARE **and has also met the education and work experience requirements for registration in Oregon**, the candidate can apply to the Board for initial registration as a RLA.

Education Standards are found in the following Board rules:

- OAR 804-010-0000 Education Qualifications
- OAR 804-010-0010 Equivalent Education and Experience
- OAR 804-010-0020 Experience in Lieu of Education

Work Experience Standard is found in the following Board rule:

- OAR 804-022-0005 Initial Landscape Architect Registration

Board rules can be accessed at the Laws & Rules page of the Board's website:

<https://www.oregon.gov/landarch/Pages/LawsRules.aspx>

Those with an accredited landscape architecture degree get maximum credit for education and then must have 3 years of qualifying work experience. Those without an accredited landscape architecture degree are not precluded from pursuing registration in Oregon. However, those with an alternative degree will need to have additional work experience to qualify for registration. For all pathways, there is a total of 8 years of qualifying experience required from education and work experience. For the no degree pathway, all 8 years must come from qualifying work experience. For all 8 pathways, there is an allowance for 2 years of work experience to have been completed under the supervision of a licensed Architect or Engineer with the balance of the required work experience under a Registered Landscape Architect.

Individuals applying for initial registration must also complete an oral examination before the Board. Oral examination focuses on a candidate's understanding of the Oregon laws and rules applicable to Registered Landscape Architects. This examination does not re-test content covered on the LARE. Oral examination is held as part of a regular meeting of the Board. The Board generally meets quarterly, and applications for initial registration must be submitted no later than 15 business days before the quarterly meeting where the applicant wishes to complete the oral examination.

Please direct questions about OSLAB registration standards and processes to the Board office at oslab.info@bgelab.oregon.gov or by calling the Board office at 503-589-0093.