

## AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to sections 207, 6504, 6506, 6507, and 7304 of the Education Law

1. Section 69.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended, as follows:

69.1 Professional study and experience requirements for architecture.

(a) Definition. Unless otherwise provided, acceptable accrediting agency means an accrediting agency which is recognized by the United States Commissioner of Education as a reliable authority for the purpose of accreditation at the postsecondary level, and which applies its criteria for granting accreditation in a fair, consistent and nondiscriminatory manner.

(b) Licensure requirement. To meet the professional education and experience requirements for licensure as an architect in this State, the applicant shall submit evidence of either:

(1)

(i) graduation from a professional program in architecture registered by the department, accredited by an acceptable accrediting agency, or determined by the department to be the equivalent of a registered or accredited program; and

(ii) receipt of the degree of bachelor of architecture or [master of architecture] higher, or the equivalent as determined by the department, from a school offering a program which meets the requirements of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph; and

(iii) ...

(2) ...

(3) For purposes of this subdivision, all experience earned shall be at least one month in duration and one year of architectural work experience shall mean an aggregate total of twelve calendar months of full-time employment. Full-time shall be defined as at least 35 hours of experience earned per week, excluding overtime. Any portion of the experience requirement may be completed during periods of time that are not concurrent with full-time attendance at an institution of higher education.

(c) The department may accept a [second professional] masters' or higher degree in architecture, or a masters' or higher degree in architecturally related studies acceptable to the department, in lieu of not more than one year of work experience.

2. Section 69.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended, 2019, as follows:

69.2 Licensing examinations.

(a) ...

(b) ...

(c) [Rescorings and reviews. Multiple choice or other objective divisions of the examination will be rescored upon written request of the candidate. Candidates who have failed the graphic divisions of the examination may review those divisions in accordance with the provisions of section 59.5(g) of this Title.

(d)] Admission to examination. To meet the professional education and experience requirements for admission to the licensing examination, an applicant shall submit evidence of completion of either:

(1) [(i) graduation from a professional program in architecture] the third year of a professional bachelor or master of architecture program, if the only degree received, or

the first year of a professional master of architecture or higher program following receipt of an undergraduate degree registered by the department, accredited by an acceptable accrediting agency as defined in section 69.1 of this Part, or determined by the department to be the equivalent of a registered or accredited program; [and] or

[(ii) receipt of the degree of bachelor of architecture or master of architecture, or the equivalent as determined by the department, from a school offering a program which meets the requirements of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph; or]

(2) completion of experience in architectural work acceptable to the State Board for Architecture or a combination of education and experience totaling [9] 7 years which is determined by the department to be the equivalent of the education and experience credit described in section 69.1(b)(1) of this Part.

3. Section 69.3 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended, as follows:

69.3 Endorsement.

[For endorsement of a license to practice architecture issued by another jurisdiction, the applicant shall present evidence of having met all the requirements of sections 59.6 and 69.1 of this Title; except an architect licensed in another state or jurisdiction as the result of successful completion of only the professional examination in use before 1983 may be granted licensure upon presentation of evidence of at least five years of work experience, provided that such experience occurs following licensure in such state or jurisdiction and occurs within the seven years immediately preceding licensure by endorsement in this State and such experience is of a grade and character

satisfactory to the State Board for Architecture, or upon completion of those parts of the written examination not previously passed.]

(a) Endorsement of licenses of other states. A license to practice architecture issued by another state or jurisdiction of the United States may be endorsed for practice in New York State if the applicant submits the following to the department:

(1) evidence satisfactory to the State Board for Architecture of at least five years of professional experience acceptable to such board, provided that such experience occurs following licensure in such jurisdiction and within the seven years immediately preceding application for licensure by endorsement in New York State; and

(2) evidence of meeting the examination requirements prescribed in section 69.2 of this Part; and

(3) evidence acceptable to the department of good standing as a licensee in each jurisdiction in which the applicant is licensed to practice architecture; and

(4) an attestation of good moral character.

(b) Endorsement of licenses of Canadian provinces. A license to practice architecture issued by a Canadian province may be endorsed for practice in New York State if the applicant submits the following to the Department:

(1) evidence satisfactory to the State Board for Architecture of at least five years of professional experience acceptable to such board, provided that such experience occurs following licensure in such jurisdiction and within the seven years immediately preceding application for licensure by endorsement in New York State; and

(2) evidence of meeting the examination requirements prescribed in section 69.2 of this Part or, if the candidate does not meet the examination requirements prescribed in

section 69.2 of this part, passing a practical examination satisfactory to the State Board for Architecture; and

(3) evidence acceptable to the department of good standing as a licensee in each jurisdiction in which the applicant is licensed to practice architecture; and

(4) an attestation of good moral character.

(c) Special endorsement provisions. An applicant with a license to practice architecture in another state or jurisdiction of the United States as the result of successful completion of the professional examination in use before 1983 may be granted licensure upon presentation of evidence of at least five years of work experience, provided that such experience occurs following licensure in such state or jurisdiction and occurs within the seven years immediately preceding licensure by endorsement in this State and such experience is of a grade and character satisfactory to the State Board for Architecture, or upon completion of those parts of the written examination not previously passed. Such an applicant shall also submit the following to the Department:

(1) evidence acceptable to the Department of good standing as a licensee in each jurisdiction in which the applicant is licensed to practice architecture; and

(2) an attestation of good moral character.