ROAD MAP TO REGISTRATION: Becoming an Architect AIBC via Internship in Architecture Program (IAP)

1 Finish Architecture School
Complete a Canadian Architectural Certification Board (CACB) accredited architectural degree program and gain your CACB Academic Certification through your school.

2 Select a Mentor
You need to select a mentor in order to apply the Intern Architect Program (IAP). Your mentor will advise and guide you through the IAP. They must be an Architect or a Retired Architect registered in B.C.

3 Apply to be an Intern Architect AIBC
Visit aibc.ca/iap. Download, complete and return the required IAP application package. Approval takes up to six (6) weeks.

4 Log 3720 Experience Hours
Seek suitable employment to complete the 3720-hour work experience requirement under the supervision of a Registered Architect. Record your hours using the Canadian Experience Record Book (CERB) and submit them to the AIBC every six (6) months.

5 Complete 4 PD Courses
Interns are required to attend four mandatory, one-day, AIBC professional development (PD) courses. Courses can be completed at any order and pace.

6 Write Registration Exams
Upon completion of 2800 hours of work experience, Intern Architects would be eligible to write ExAC, which is offered each year in November.

7 Pass the Oral Review
Attend the Oral Review Workshop (optional) to get a head start. After completing your four PD courses and submitting 2800 work experience hours, you can register for the Oral Review, which is held three (3) times each year.

8 Apply to be an Architect AIBC
Upon successful completion of the national and provincial registration requirements, you can apply to become a registered Architect. Approval takes approx. six (6) weeks. The current Architects Act regulates the minimum time to become registered to three (3) years.

9 Rights of an Architect AIBC
An Architect AIBC can:
- apply for a stamp/seal
- hold a Certificate of Practice
- vote on Bylaws and in Council Elections
- join AIBC Council
- volunteer for AIBC Boards & Committees

For more information visit aibc.ca/iap