

Fair Registration Practices Report

Architects (2018)

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1. Qualitative Information

a) Requirements for registration, including acceptable alternatives

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

A Deputy Registrar has joined the staff in the Office of the Registrar at the Ontario Association of Architects.

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

Adding a Deputy Registrar means there is an additional resource available to work with applicants and help them understand the path to licensure.

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

More applicant questions can be answered while continuing to maintain our existing timelines for applicants even though the numbers have almost doubled in the last 10 years.

b) Assessment of qualifications

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

Same as in a) Requirements for Registration....

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

Same as in a) Requirements for Registration....

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

Same as in a) Requirements for Registration....

c) Provision of timely decisions, responses, and reasons

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

Same as in a) Requirements for Registration....

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

Same as in a) Requirements for Registration....

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

Same as in a) Requirements for Registration....

d) Fees

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

Fees were increased by the OAA Council and approved by the Membership at the Annual General Meeting. The increase was set at 1.8%.

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

Unknown

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

Able to maintain services

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.

CALA EU Treaty signed; however, proposed implementation to follow later in 2019.

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

Unknown at this time

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

Unknown at this time

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

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)	N/A

Additional comments:

b) Gender of applicants

Indicate the number of applicants in each category as applicable.

Gender	Number of Applicants
Male	135
Female	174
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	3092
Female	1174
None of the above	3

Additional comments:

Members can self identify through prefixes: Miss, Ms.,Mrs.,Mr.,Dr.; however, they are not required to do so.

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
136	24	21	Bahrain 1	0	309
			Bangladesh 5		
			Belgium 1		
			Brazil 2		
			China 2		
			Colombia 2		
			Cyprus 1		
			Egypt 6		

Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
			El Salvador 1		
			France 1		
			Germany 1		
			Greece 1		
			India 16		
			Iran 28		
			Iraq 2		
			Israel 2		
			Italy 4		
			Jordan 2		
			Lebanon 6		
			Mexico 1		
			Netherlands 1		
			Nigeria 4		
			Pakistan 2		
			Palestinian Territory, Occupied 1		
			Philippines 3		
			Portugal 2		
			Romania 2		
			Russia 3		
			Serbia 1		
			S. Africa 3		
			Spain 1		
			Syrian Arab Republic 5		
			United Arab Emirates 6		
			U.K. 8		
			Venezuela 1		
			Total 128		

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
125	56	37	Argentina 1 Brazil 1	0	283

Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
			Bulgaria 1		
			China 5		
			Colombia 3		
			Cuba 2		
			Egypt 4		
			France 1		
			India 5		
			Iran 14		
			Iraq 6		
			Ireland 1		
			Israel 1		
			Japan 1		
			Jordan 1		
			Korea, Republic Of 1		
			Lebanon 1		
			Nigeria 1		
			Pakistan 1		
			Philippines 3		
			Poland 1		
			Romania 1		
			S. Africa 1		
			Spain 1		
			Sri Lanka 1		
			Sudan 1		
			Turkey 1		
			U.K. 2		
			Venezuela 1		
			OTHER 1		
			Total 65		

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:

Some applicants were educated in countries that no longer exist. Yugoslavia is the 'OTHER' country as there is no drop down for it.

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	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
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Provinces					
				Albania 1	
				Algeria 3	
				Argentina 8	
				Armenia 1	
				Australia 6	
				Bangladesh 4	
				Belgium 1	
				Bolivia 1	
				Bosnia And Herzegovina 4	
				Brazil 6	
				Bulgaria 11	
				Chile 1	
				China 46	
				Colombia 18	
				Croatia 2	
				Cuba 4	
				Czech Republic 4	
				Denmark 1	
				Egypt 51	
				Ethiopia 2	
				France 7	
				Germany 10	
2076	858	598		Greece 1	13
				Hong Kong 7	
				Hungary 2	
				India 61	
				Indonesia 1	
				Iran 98	
				Iraq 27	
				Ireland 8	
				Israel 7	
				Italy 8	
				Japan 2	
				Jordan 9	
				Kenya 2	
				Korea, Republic Of 3	
				Lebanon 13	
				Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav 4	
				Mexico 7	
				Netherlands 4	
				New Zealand 3	
				Nigeria 1	
				Pakistan 10	
				Paraguay 1	
				Peru 2	
					4269

Philippines	21
Poland	51
Portugal	1
Puerto Rico	1
Romania	27
Russia	12
Scotland	8
Serbia	9
Slovakia	2
S. Africa	8
Spain	2
Sri Lanka	4
Sudan	1
Sweden	1
Switzerland	1
Syrian Arab Republic	9
Taiwan, Province Of China	2
Tunisia	1
Turkey	7
Ukraine	12
United Arab Emirates	1
U.K.	50
Venezuela	5
Viet Nam	2
OTHER	13
Total	724

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 13 Members were educated in the former countries that no longer exist on the drop down; i.e. Yugoslavia

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	136	24	21	128	0	309
Applicants actively pursuing licensing (applicants who had some contact with your organization in the reporting year)	804	159	84	607	0	1654
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	125	56	37	65	0	283
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	8	1	0	0	0	9

from January 1 st to December 31 st of the reporting year	Ontario	Other Canadian Provinces	USA	Other International	Unknown	Total
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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>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 style="text-align: center;">“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> <p>(c) a general review of the construction, enlargement or alteration of a building; (“exercice de la profession d’architecte”)</p>
		Description (b)
b)	Licensed Technologist OAA	<p>The Licensed Technologist OAA has a licence with terms, conditions and limitations that include the following:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">... prepare and provide a design for, or perform</p>

general review of or evaluate, advise or report on the construction, enlargement or alteration of a building that:

...as constructed enlarged or altered, is not more than four storeys in height and not more than 600 square metres in gross area and is used or intended for one or more of the following occupancies:

- i Residential;
- ii Business;
- iii Personal services;
- iv Mercantile;
- v Industrial;
- vi a restaurant designed to accommodate not more than 100 persons consuming food or drink;

...The Licensed Technologist OAA shall use the designation "Licensed Technologist OAA" ...but may not use the title "architect. The Licensed Technologist OAA is permitted to use the abbreviated title of "Lic.Tech.OAA".

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	1	1	5	0	10
Applicants who initiated an appeal of a registration decision	0	1	0	0	0	1
Appeals heard	0	1	0	0	0	1
Registration decisions changed following an appeal	0	1	0	0	0	1

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	30
Staff involved in appeals process	4
Staff involved in registration process	7

Additional comments:

The 4 staff involved in appeals are also involved in registration.

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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:

2019/02/15

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