

The Washington State Board of Licensure for Landscape Architects?



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Licensed: 9 Years
Term Expires: 2020



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Licensed: 36 Years
Term Expires: 2022



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Term Expires: 2018



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Term Expires: 2022



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Term Expires: 2019

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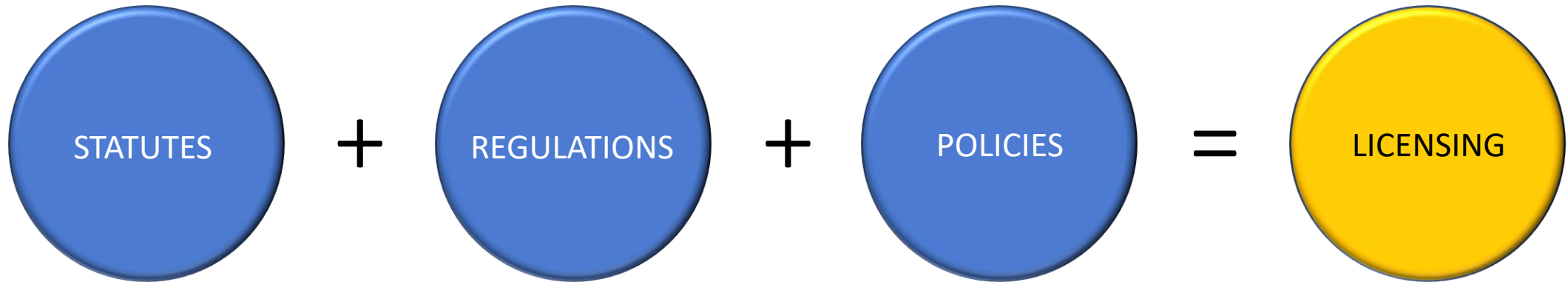


Regulator vs. Advocate



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Board Operations



Professional Development Hours (PDH)

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.dol.wa.gov/business/landscapearchitects/continuingEducation.html>. The page header includes the Washington State Department of Licensing logo and navigation links: Home, Drivers, Vehicles, Professions, List of Licenses, and Moving to WA. A search bar and a language selection dropdown are also present.

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Continuing education: Landscape architects

Continuing education requirements
To maintain your practice, you must complete **24 professional development hours (PDH)** within your 2-year license period.

- You can carry over up to 12 PDH.** If you earn more than 24 PDH in the **2nd half of your 2-year license period**, up to 12 extra hours can be carried over to the following 2-year license period.
 - Example: If you earn 50 PDH in the 2nd half of your 2-year license period, only 12 can be carried over to the following 2-year period.

You may be audited
You may be audited by the board to confirm the professional development hours you've completed. To learn more, see [Professional development audits](#).

Continuing education resources

- [Washington Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects \(wasia.org\)](#)
- [Landscape Architecture Continuing Education System \(laces.asia.org\)](#)

What's allowed as professional development hours?
Because PDH activities are not pre-approved by the board you're responsible for seeking out appropriate activities. You may use our [Landscape Architect Professional Development Worksheet](#) to track your PDH activities and hours.

Below are examples of allowed activities and hours. At least **18 PDH** must address public health, safety & welfare.

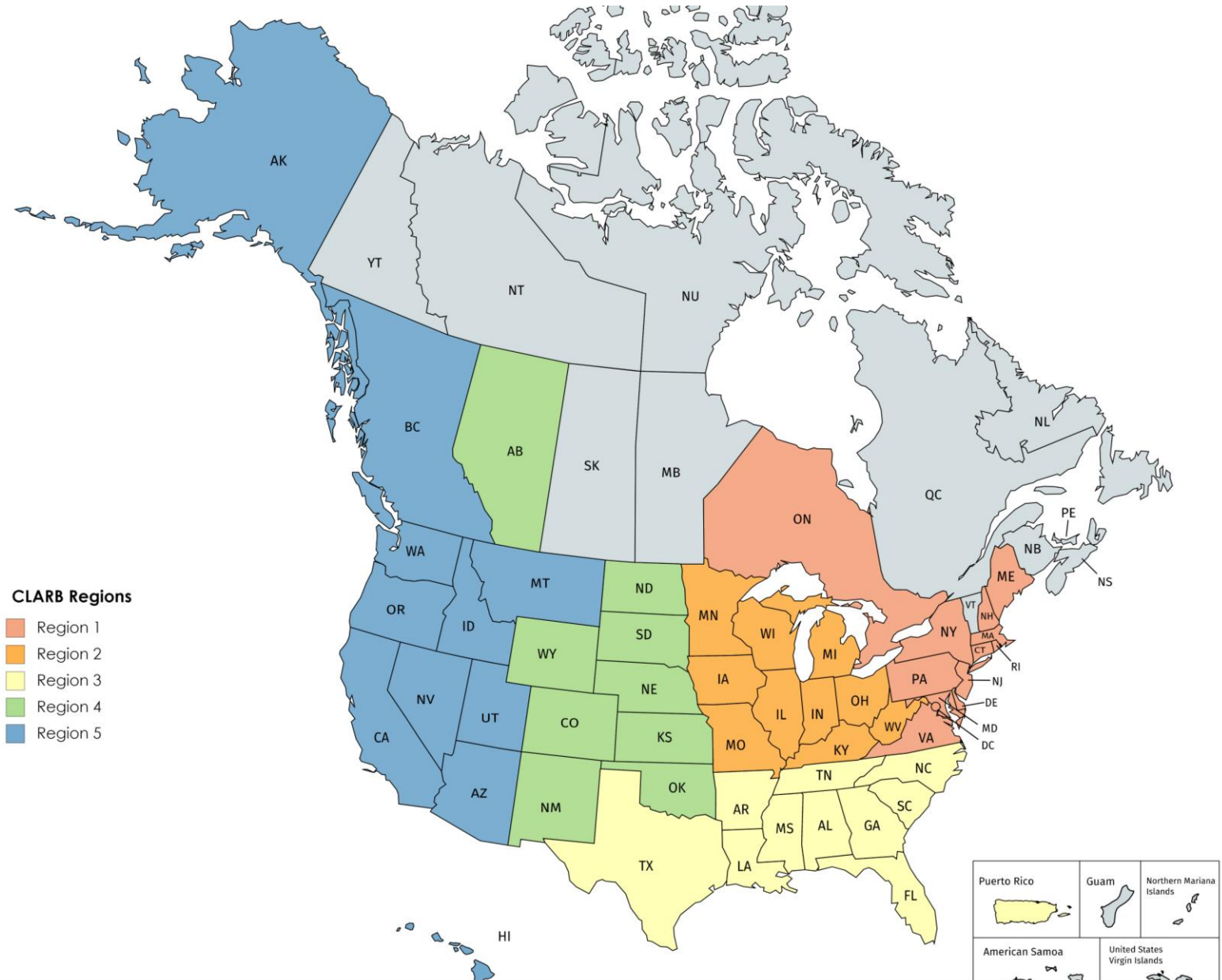
Activity (1 PDH is equal to no less than 50 minutes of activity)	Maximum PDH
1 hour of preparation and subsequent presentation of a professional development program at: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Seminars,Professional/technical meetingsConventionsConferences This credit doesn't apply to full-time faculty.	10 PDHs per year
Publications of an authored technical paper or article.	10 PDHs
Publication of an authored book.	30 PDHs
Serving as an elected officer or appointed chair of a committee in a professional society or organization. PDH won't be earned until the completion of each year of service.	4 PDHs per organization

Activity (1 PDH is equal to no less than 50 minutes of activity)	Maximum PDH
1 hour of preparation and subsequent presentation of a professional development program at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Professional/technical meetings •Conventions •Conferences This credit doesn't apply to full-time faculty.	10 PDHs per year
Publications of an authored technical paper or article.	10 PDHs
Publication of an authored book.	30 PDHs
Serving as an elected officer or appointed chair of a committee in a professional society or organization. PDH won't be earned until the completion of each year of service.	4 PDHs per organization
Serving as an elected officer or appointed member of a board or commission related to the practice of landscape architecture. PDH won't be earned until the completion of each year of service.	4 PDHs per organization
Serving as an exam grader or on a committee writing exam materials for a professional registration exam.	8 PDHs per 2-year period (biennium)
Membership on the regulatory board for the practice of landscape architecture.	8 PDHs per year
1 hour of attendance at meetings or hearings of the board. This credit doesn't apply to existing board members or parties or witnesses in hearings before the board.	6 PDHs per year
1 hour of participation in other recognized professional activities, outside normal duties of employment.	2 PDHs per year
1 hour of self-study.	2 PDHs per year
1 hour of participating in sessions or courses, sponsored by technical or professional societies, organizations, or the board.	No limit
1 hour of participation in organized courses on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •First aid •Safety •Technical or management skills •Including employer-provided courses 	No limit
1 hour of attendance at professional or technical society meetings with an informational program.	5 PDHs per year
Pro-bono service that has a clear purpose and objective, maintains, improves, or expands your professional knowledge or skill. (4 hours of service = 1 PDH)	4 PDHs per year
1 hour of participation in an activity involving substantial and organized peer interaction, excluding time spent during regular employment.	5 PDHs per year



CLARB's members are the 54 licensing boards that regulate the profession of landscape architecture.

- 49 States
- Puerto Rico
- Washington, DC
- Alberta, British Columbia & Ontario



Mission

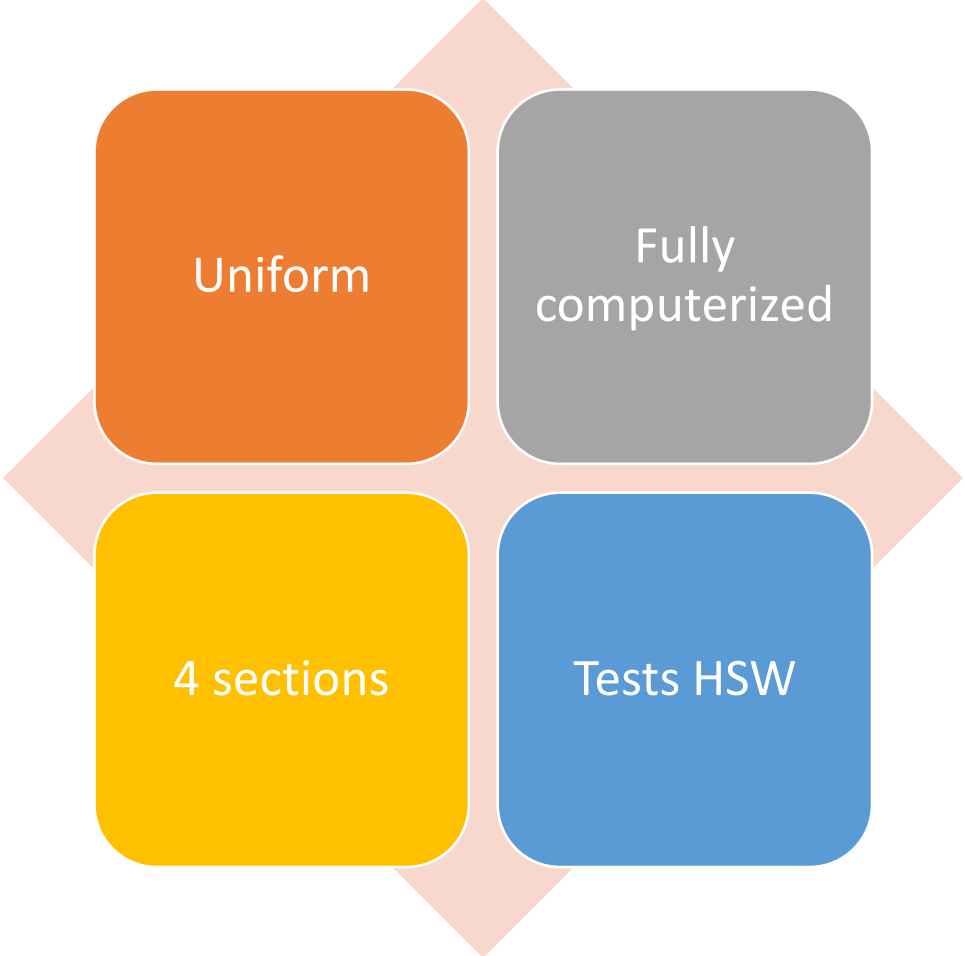


To provide uniform standards of competency for landscape architecture practice to ensure the public's health, safety and welfare.

Core Services

- The Landscape Architect Registration Examination (L.A.R.E.)
- The Council Record
- CLARB Certification
- Member Support

The L.A.R.E.



Regulatory Case Statistics

Recent Case History							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Beginning amount	6	2	2	2	1		
Opened	6	7	1	3	2	Closed Last 5 Yrs	19
Closed	10	7	1	4	1	Opened Last 5 Yrs	23
Ending Amount	2	2	2	1	2		

Case Sanctions	
No Sanction	42
Fine	4
Cease and Desist	2
Reprimand	4
Other	2

Allegation (RCW)	Complied with non-Hearing order	Dismissed / Unsubstantiated	Education Letter	Voluntary Compliance	Letter of Warning
RCW 18.235.130(15) Unprofessional conduct - Engaging in unlicensed practice.	2				
RCW 18.96.020 It shall be unlawful for any person to advertise the title landscape architect, unless such person has duly registered.	3	4	2		
RCW 18.96.110(3) Failure to submit PDH				2	
RCW 18.96.130 Any person may prefer charges of fraud, deceit, gross negligence, incompetency, or misconduct against any registrant.		1			
RCW18.235.130(7) Failure to comply with an order issued by the disciplinary authority		1			
RCW18.96.120 Actions against certificates	3	2			

Licensee Demographics

Gender				
Status	Male	Female	Undeclared	Total
Active	532	304	4	840
Approved for Examination	2	1	0	3
Archives	98	66	1	165
Cancellation	74	5	0	79
Deceased	35	3	0	38
Delinquent	198	83	1	282
Inactive	43	33	0	76
License Issued in Error	1	0	0	1
Pending	1	2	2	5
Pending Audit Review	1	2	0	3
Pending Documentation	0	1	0	1
Pending Examination	8	12	1	21
Pending Reciprocity/Comity	6	1	1	8
Retired	87	16	0	103
Suspended w/Provisions	1	0	0	1
Temporary Hold	2	0	0	2
Unknown Address	54	17	0	71
Withdrawal - Not Regulated	1	0	0	1
Withdrew Application	2	1	0	3
Total:	1,146	547	10	1,703

Licensee Residence	
In WA	585
Out of State	241
Out Of U.S.A.	14
Total	840

Licensed First Issued per Year				
2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
74	75	65	92	23
73	67	64	91	23



Questions