NCARB

Internship Development Program

Basic information (Q&A)

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Q1. What’s IDP?

: The Intern Development Program is an essential step in the path to become an architect, starting from architectural education to practice. The completion of IPD required initial registration and training.

Make your IDP experience work for you!
Q2. **Who** must meet the IDP requirements in Illinois?

: *All candidates for licensure in Illinois.*
Q3. **How** do I begin to establish my NCARB Record?

: You can start an NCARB Record online

Click below to register!

[https://my.ncarb.org/Home/Account/Register](https://my.ncarb.org/Home/Account/Register)
Q4. What type of an academic degree must I obtain to be eligible to take the Architectural Registration Examination in Illinois?

: B. Arch. or M. Arch.

(A professional NAAB-accredited degree in architecture)
Q5. **How much does it cost to establish an NCARB Record?**

: There are two options

1. Pay **$350.00** (one time set up fee on NCARB Record for 3yrs) + **$75.00 / year** (maintaining fee)

2. Pay **$100** (If you are a high school graduate or have graduated from college within the past 6 months) and you will pay the remainder of the NCARB Record fee at the time you request NCARB to sit for the Architect Registration Examination.

YOU?
Q6. How long will it take to complete my internship under IDP?

In Illinois, the IDP internship depends on your degree:

1. B. Arch. & M. Arch:
   5,600 Training Hours, or a little over 2 1/2 years.

2. 4 year degree + direct 2 year M. Arch. Program:
   9,360 Training Hours, or approximately 4 1/2 years.
Q7. When can I start my NCARB Record?

: While working for an architect or in any other work setting, such as working for a contractor or engineer.

You are also eligible to earn training hours doing supplemental education and professional and community service.
Q8. Does my summer experience count?

: Yes, if you work **at least 15 hours per week X 8 weeks** working for an architect, engineer, interior designer, planner, landscape architect, or contractor.

Q9. Does part time work count?

: Same answer with above
Q10. Does work in a foreign country get credit?

: Yes, you can earn up to 1,880 Training hours under "credentialed" architect to practice architecture in that country under their laws.

If you are working under a US-licensed architect abroad, all of your experience can count.

For example - British-registered architect in India or Singapore
Q11. **Who** is going to **verify** that I actually did what I said I did?

: Your employer (IDP Supervisor)

If an architect is your IDP Supervisor, he or she must be a **licensed architect in Illinois**.
Q12. Who else is involved in my internship?

: Select a Mentor.

A Mentor is a licensed architect who meets with you periodically to review your training progress and discuss your career goals.

You may want to ask a friend, a former professor, or another architect in your firm to serve as your Mentor.
Q13. Does my previous experience count?

: Yes, but only for the last 8 months.

Q14. Can I be licensed in Illinois if I am not a U.S. Citizen?

: Yes
Q15. What is 6 month rule?

A rule requiring interns to submit their experience in reporting periods of no longer than 6 months and within 2 months of completion of each reporting period.

* REPORTING?*

All experience reports must be submitted electronically through the e-EVR system. Click for more information
More resources can be found at

www.ncarb.org

Thank you!!!