

# Requirements for Iowa Landscape Architect

## 544B.9 Applications

Any person may apply for a certificate of licensure or may apply to take an examination for such certification. Applications for licensure shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the board, shall contain statements made under oath, showing the applicant's education and detail summary of the applicant's pertinent practical landscape architectural work and experience. The board shall not require that a recent photograph of the applicant be attached to the application form. An applicant shall not be ineligible for licensure because of age, citizenship, sex, race, religion, marital status, or national origin. The board may consider the past felony record of an applicant only if the felony conviction relates directly to the practice of landscape architecture. Character references may be required but shall not be obtained from professional landscape architects. An application for examination shall be accompanied by an examination fee in the amount determined by the board. Each applicant for licensure as a professional landscape architect shall meet one of the following requirements:

1. Graduation from a course in landscape architecture in a school, college, or university offering an accredited minimum four-year curriculum in landscape architecture, and a minimum of three years of practical experience in landscape architectural work which in the opinion of the board is of satisfactory character, at least one year of which must be under the supervision of a professional landscape architect or a person who becomes a professional landscape architect within one year after July 1, 2002.
2. Graduation from a nonaccredited course of landscape architecture of a minimum of four years in a school, college, or university and a minimum of four years of practical experience in landscape architectural work which in the opinion of the board is of satisfactory character, at least one year of which must be under the supervision of a professional landscape architect.
3. A minimum of ten years of practical experience in landscape architectural work which in the opinion of the board is of satisfactory character to properly prepare the applicant for the examination.

A satisfactorily completed year of study in an accredited course of landscape architecture in an accredited school, college, or university may be accepted in lieu of one year of practical experience.

A master's degree from an accredited school, college, or university may be accepted in lieu of one year of practical experience.

Any four-year college or university degree may be accepted in lieu of two years of practical experience.

[Application for Initial Examination](#) [Application for Re-examination](#)

## 193D—2.6(544B,17A) Exemption from written examination.

The board may exempt from written examination an applicant who meets one of the following criteria:

1. The applicant holds a current CLARB certificate; or
2. The applicant holds a license to practice landscape architecture issued upon written examination by another jurisdiction, and has submitted a certificate from the jurisdiction of original licensure verifying that the applicant passed the examination in that jurisdiction.

[Application for Licensure](#)