

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, INTERIOR  
DESIGN AND RESIDENTIAL DESIGN**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-4, NRS 623.140 and 623.190.

A REGULATION relating to designing professions; establishing certain requirements concerning education and training for registration as a residential designer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Section 1.** Chapter 623 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

*An applicant for registration as a residential designer must have a combination of at least 5 years of education and training with at least 1 year in education, or the equivalent, and at least 1 year in training. An applicant for registration as a residential designer may acquire credit for education and training only pursuant to the following table:*

**TABLE OF EQUIVALENTS:**

<i>DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE</i>	<i>EDUCATION</i>			<i>TRAINING</i>	
	<i>First</i>			<i>Credit</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
	<i>2</i>	<i>Succeeding</i>	<i>Maximum</i>	<i>Allowed</i>	<i>Credit</i>
	<i>Years</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>(Percent)</i>	<i>Allowed</i>
	<i>(Percent)</i>		<i>Allowed</i>		
<i>1. For a bachelor’s degree in architecture or credits from a program accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board or for a master’s degree in architecture from a school of architecture accredited by that board.</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>4 years</i>		
<i>2. For the first professional degree in architecture or credits toward that degree under a program which has not been accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board.</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>2 years</i>		
<i>3. For a bachelor’s degree or credits toward that degree in architectural engineering or architectural technology or in civil, mechanical or electrical engineering under a program which has been accredited by the Engineering Council for Professional Development or the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology; or for a bachelor’s degree in interior design or interior architecture under a program accredited by the Foundation for Interior Design Education Research.</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>2 years</i>		
<i>4. For any other bachelor’s degree.</i>			<i>1 year</i>		

<p>5. For experience as an employee under the direct supervision of a residential designer or an architect who is registered pursuant to chapter 623 of NRS and this chapter.</p>	50	1 year	100	4 years
<p>6. For employment directly related to residential design under the direct supervision of a landscape architect who is registered pursuant to chapter 623A of NRS.</p>			50	1 year
<p>7. For employment directly related to residential design under the direct supervision of a licensed professional engineer who is registered pursuant to chapter 625 of NRS.</p>			50	1 year
<p>8. For employment directly related to residential design under the direct supervision of a registered interior designer who is registered pursuant to chapter 623 of NRS and this chapter.</p>			50	1 year
<p>9. For employment directly related to residential design as an employee of a contractor who is licensed pursuant to chapter 624 of NRS.</p>			50	2 years
<p>10. For experience as a licensed general building contractor, with a subclassification AB or B-2, who is licensed pursuant to chapter 624 of NRS. The amount of credit allowed will be determined by the Board, based on the quality of experience obtained for projects that have been designed and constructed.</p>			As determined by the Board	4 years

*11. For experience in an organization that provides residential drafting services to architects or residential designers who are registered pursuant to chapter 623 of NRS and this chapter. The work experience must be documented on a form provided by the Board and verified by the architect or residential designer for whom the drafting services were provided.*

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*12. For experience in an organization that provides drafting services to professional engineers who are registered pursuant to chapter 625 of NRS. The work experience must be documented on a form provided by the Board and verified by the professional engineer for whom the drafting services were provided.*

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**Sec. 2.** NAC 623.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:

623.245 Any person who:

1. Applies to the Board pursuant to NAC 623.215; and

2. Has a total of 5 years of credit for education and practical training as outlined in ~~NAC 623.415 or 623.445, or a combination thereof which is acceptable to the Board,]~~ *section 1 of this regulation,*

↪ is qualified to participate in the examination for registration as a residential designer.

**Sec. 3.** NAC 623.415 is hereby amended to read as follows:

623.415 Any person , *except an applicant for registration as a residential designer*, who has, before August 9, 1982, acquired one-half year or more of credit for his education or training under the following table may acquire credit under this table or the table in NAC 623.445.

TABLE OF EQUIVALENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE	EDUCATION			TRAINING		PRACTICE	
	First 2 Years	Succeed- ing Years (Percent)	Maxi- mum Yearly Credit Allowed	Credit Allowed (Percent)	Maxi- mum Yearly Credit Allowed	Credit Allowed (Percent)	Maxi- mum Yearly Credit Allowed
1. For a bachelor's degree in architecture or credits under a program accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board or for a master's degree in architecture under a program of architecture accredited by that Board.	100	100	5				
2. For a bachelor's degree in architecture or for a master's degree in architecture if preceded by a bachelor's degree in architecture under a program of architecture which is not accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board.	-	-	4				

3. For credits earned for a bachelor's degree in architecture under a program of architecture which is not accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board.

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4. For a bachelor's degree in architecture and engineering, or 4 years of a 6-year program leading to a master's degree in architecture, under a program which is accredited by the Engineering Council for Professional Development or the National Architectural Accrediting Board.

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5. For a bachelor's degree from a university or college.

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6. For experience as a full-time employee with a bachelor's degree in architecture or architectural engineering which meets the requirements of subsection 1 or 2 of this section in the office of a registered architect who is practicing as a principal or is employed in the capacity of an architectural manager.

100 No Limit 100 No Limit

7. For experience as a full-time employee without a bachelor's degree in architecture, in the office of a registered architect who is practicing as a principal or is employed in the capacity of an architectural manager.	First 2 Years 25	Second 2 Years 50		
	Succeeding Years 100		100	No Limit

8. For practical training obtained in the office of and under the direct supervision of a registered architect practicing as a principal during the period for which credit is received for education. To receive credit for training, the employment must be for at least 2 consecutive months and exceed 20 hours per week.	25	50	1 1/2	
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9. For employment or professional practice in fields related to architecture, such as interior design, structural engineering or residential design.	First 2 Years 25	Succeed- ing Years 50	2	
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10. For employment in the fields of landscape architecture, city planning, or service related to construction in the military or a governmental agency.	25	50	1	
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~~{1. For an applicant for registration as a residential designer, for employment by a residential designer who is registered pursuant to chapter 623 of NRS and this chapter.~~

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**Sec. 4.** NAC 623.445 is hereby amended to read as follows:

623.445 Any person , *except an applicant for registration as a residential designer*, who has not acquired credit for his education or training pursuant to NAC 623.415 may acquire credit only under the following table:

TABLE OF EQUIVALENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE	EDUCATION		TRAINING	
	First	Maximum	Credit	Maximum
	2	Succeeding	Allowed	Credit
	<del>{Credit}</del>	Years	(Percent)	Allowed
		<i>Years</i>		
	(Percent)		Allowed	
1. For a bachelor's degree in architecture or credits from a program accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board or for a master's degree in architecture from a school of architecture accredited by that Board.	100	100		5 years



<p>2. For the first professional degree in architecture or credits toward that degree under a program which has been accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board not later than 2 years after termination of enrollment.</p>	75	100	5 years		
<p>3. For the first professional degree in architecture or credits toward that degree under a program which has not been accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board.</p>	75	75	4 years		
<p>4. For a bachelor's degree or credits toward that degree in architectural engineering or architectural technology or in civil, mechanical or electrical engineering under a program which has been accredited by the Engineering Council for Professional Development or the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology; or a bachelor's degree in interior architecture under a program accredited by the Foundation for Interior Design <i>Education</i> Research.</p>	50	75	3 years		
<p>5. For any other bachelor's degree.</p>			2 years		
<p>6. For employment directly related to architectural work in the office of a registered architect.</p>	50	50	5 years	100	No Limit
<p>7. For experience as an employee of an organization which is regularly involved in the business of construction if the experience is not in</p>					

the office of a registered architect but is directly related to architectural work and is under the direct supervision of a registered architect.	50	50	4 years	100	2 years
8. For experience as an employee of an organization, other than in the office of a registered architect, if the experience is directly related to architectural work and is directly supervised by a professional engineer or a landscape architect.				50	1 year
9. For experience other than that gained by work described in subsections 6, 7 and 8, if the experience is directly related to operations on a construction site or to physical analyses of existing buildings.				50	6 months
10. A master's or doctoral degree in architecture, unless the degree is the first professional degree.				100	1 year
11. For teaching or research under an architectural program accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board.				100	1 year
<del>12. For an applicant for registration as a residential designer, employment by a residential designer or an architect who is registered pursuant to chapter 623 of NRS and this chapter.</del>				<del>100</del>	<del>5 years</del>

~~—13. For an applicant for registration as a residential designer, experience as an employee of a contractor.~~

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