

ILLINOIS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Effective October 18, 2013, Administrative Rules were adopted for the implementation of Continuing Education (CE) requirements. The following information is being provided to help aid you in meeting this requirement for each renewal period. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation Call Center at **1-800-560-6420**.

Continuing Education Requirements

For the 2015 renewal and every renewal thereafter, or in order to restore a license as a landscape architect after September 1, 2015, a licensee shall be required to complete 24 hours of continuing education hours (CE) relevant to the practice of landscape architecture. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in non-renewal of the landscape architect's license, disciplinary action, or both.

A prerenewal period is the 24 months preceding September 1 in the year of the renewal.

One continuing education hour shall equal 50 minutes of instruction or participation. A minimum of 20 CE hours shall be structured educational activities. Remaining hours may be fulfilled with any combination of structured educational activities and unstructured educational activities

Structured Educational Activities:

- A) CLARB and American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) endorsed seminars.
- B) Seminars endorsed by professional organizations related to landscape architecture.
- C) Courses offered by a college or university related to landscape architecture.
 - i) Per Credit hour (Quarter system): 10 CEs;
 - ii) Per Credit hour (Semester system): 15 CEs.
- D) Self-study courses presented by correspondence, internet, television, video or audio, ending with an examination or other verification process. The CE credit acquired for this activity shall be as recommended by the program sponsor.

Unstructured Credit Hours:

- A) Teaching or instructing a course or seminar related to landscape architecture for the first time only. Two hours of CE will be earned for every hour of teaching or instructing. This does not apply to faculty in the performance of their regularly assigned duties.
- B) Authoring papers or articles related to landscape architecture that appear in nationally circulated publications, journals or trade magazines or presented to a university, professional society or organization. Four hours of CE will be earned per paper or presentation, but not both.
- C) Active participation on a committee or holding an office in a professional or technical society related to landscape architecture. Two hours of CE will be awarded per committee membership or office held.

Click on the following link to go to that Section of the Administrative Rules:

[Section 1275.65 Continuing Education](#)

***Do not contact the Department for approval of courses.
The Department will not pre-approve individual courses or programs***