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HKIA/ARB Professional Induction Workshop 2012

According to HKIA/ARB Professional Assessment Handbook Section 4, a holder of the professional qualification/registration by a national professional/registration body of architects recognized by HKIA/ARB (See Table A) with adequate post-professional qualification/registration practical experience (See Appendix A) may apply to HKIA/ARB for admission via Professional Induction Workshop and Professional Interview.

Country	Registration Board / Professional Institute
United Kingdom	- Architects Registration Board (ARB) - Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)
USA	- National Council of Architects Registration Boards (NCARB) - American Institute of Architects (AIA)
Canada	- By provincial registration
Australia	- Architects Accreditation Council of Australia (ACA) - Royal Australian Institute of Architects (RAIA)
New Zealand	- Architects Education and Registration Board, New Zealand (AERB) - New Zealand Institute of Architects (NZIA)

Table A- List of national professional/registration bodies recognized by HKIA/ARB

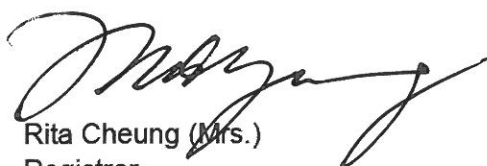
HKIA/ARB Professional Induction Workshop will be organized on 14 April 2012 and Professional Interview will be held in May 2012. The date of the Interview will be confirmed in late February 2012.

Cut-off date for counting practical experience for taking Professional Induction Workshop will be on **31 March 2012**. If you find yourself eligible and interested in applying the Professional Induction Workshop, please complete the attached HKIA membership application form and return to the HKIA **on or before 5:30pm of 25 November 2011 (Friday)** with your CV, payment slip for Workshop and substantiating documents required as stated in membership admission guidelines on page 7 of the enclosed application form. Confirmation on qualification from issuing authorities may be lengthy in some occasions and those applications which could not be processed on time will be kept in file for the next Workshop. For information, as a general guideline, the Professional Induction Workshop would be held at a regular interval of 2 years.

All applications will have to be vetted by Professional Assessment Committee. Eligible applicants will receive written notification in late February.

Should you have any questions, please contact HKIA Secretariat Carmen Hung or Jenny Lai at 2511 6323.

Yours sincerely,



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Registrar



Extract from HKIA/ARB Professional Assessment Handbook (Page 9-10)

4. Non-local Professionals in Architecture

4.1 Eligibility

4.1.1 A non-local professional (NLP) is the holder of the professional qualification/registration by a national professional/registration body of architects recognized by HKIA/ARB. The current list of these national professional/registration bodies is available for reference on the HKIA's [http://www.hkia.net/en/doc/PA/National Professional Registration Bodies of Architects.doc](http://www.hkia.net/en/doc/PA/National%20Professional%20Registration%20Bodies%20of%20Architects.doc)

Applicants shall hold the professional qualification/registration at the time of application.

4.1.2 All non-local professionals applying for admission to the HKIA/ARB must have a **minimum of 12 months** of relevant local professional experience under the supervision of or in association with an HKIA Member or Fellow, gained **after** the attainment of the professional qualification/registration.

4.1.3 Any duration of local experience which is shorter than 5 consecutive months shall not be counted.

4.1.4 The HKIA Professional Assessment Committee's interpretation and determination on **relevant local professional experience** shall be final.

4.2 NLP Group A – with **less than 5 years** relevant **local** recognised professional experience

4.2.1 NLP(A) with an **overall** (local + overseas) post-professional qualification/registration practical experience^{Note 1} of **less than 10 years** shall apply to the HKIA/ARB for admission via the Professional Assessment system.

4.2.2 NLP(A) with an **overall** (local + overseas) post-professional qualification/registration practical experience^{Note 1} of **not less than 10 years** shall apply to the HKIA/ARB for admission via the Professional Induction Workshop and Professional Interview.

4.2.3 NLP(A) are required to each submit a full CV with supporting documents, as may be directed by the Professional Assessment Committee, upon application for admission to the HKIA/ARB via the Professional Assessment system or the Professional Induction Workshop.

4.2.4 The HKIA Professional Assessment Committee may decide on a case-by-case basis on the exemption of one or more written papers upon receiving such applications from 4.2.1 above.

4.2.5 The HKIA Professional Assessment Committee's interpretation and determination on **relevant local professional experience** and exemption of papers shall be final.

Note 1: Applicants shall remain in possession of a valid professional qualification/registration recognized by HKIA during the length of post-professional qualification/registration practical experience.



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- 4.3 NLP Group B – with **not less than 5 years** of relevant **local** recognised professional experience
- 4.3.1 NLP(B) shall apply to the HKIA/ARB for admission via the Professional Induction Workshop and the Professional Interview.
- 4.3.2 Applicants shall have a **minimum of 5 years** of **local** post-professional qualification/registration recognised professional experience^{Note 1}; of which
- (a) a minimum of 5 years of such experience must be local architectural practice under the supervision of or in association with an HKIA Member or Fellow; **or**
 - (b) a minimum of 5 years of such experience must be of full-time academic teaching of architecture in the Department of Architecture of HKU or CUHK; **and** with specific recommendation by the Head of Department.
- 4.3.3 NLP(B) are required to each submit a full CV with supporting documents, as may be directed by the Professional Assessment Committee, upon application for admission to the HKIA/ARB via the Professional Induction Workshop.
- 4.3.4 The HKIA Professional Assessment Committee's interpretation and determination on **relevant local professional experience** shall be final.
- 4.4 Non-local professionals in architecture applying to the HKIA/ARB for admission, and who are exempted from the Professional Assessment system, shall be required to
- a) attend a Professional Induction Workshop; and
 - b) attend a Professional Interview.

Note 1: Applicants shall remain in possession of a valid professional qualification/registration recognized by HKIA during the length of post-professional qualification/registration practical experience.