

The Manitoba Association of Landscape Architects
a component organization of the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects

MALA INFORMATION
THE L.A.R.E. EXAMINATION REQUIREMENT

GENERAL INFORMATION

Effective June 1, 2015, MALA instituted the passing of all four sections of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (L.A.R.E.) as a condition for full membership. Associate members registered as such prior to June 1, 2015 are eligible for full membership under the former requirements until June 1, 2018.

The L.A.R.E. is prepared and scored by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB). As the result of a 2010 Task Analysis study, CLARB announced several changes to the L.A.R.E. Since December 2012, all four sections are now delivered by computer to improve relevance, reliability, and accessibility. The four sections are:

Section 1 - Project and Construction Management

Section 2 - Inventory and Analysis

Section 3 - Design

Section 4 - Grading, Drainage and Construction Documentation

This document is designed to clarify the procedures for MALA candidates to register for any of the four test sections of the L.A.R.E.

As MALA is not a member board of CLARB, the Ontario Association of Landscape Architects (OALA) has agreed to administer the L.A.R.E. on behalf of MALA. **Candidates who choose OALA as their licensure board during the registration process must notify the OALA Registrar at Registrar@oala.ca and provide contact information for the OALA database (please copy the MALA office at malaoffice@shaw.ca).**

CLARB partners with Pearson VUE Test Centers to administer the L.A.R.E. After registering for the L.A.R.E., CLARB sends an email with instructions about how to select a test center and schedule the exam appointment. At this point in time, the nearest Pearson Professional Centre is located at 1020 Lorimer Blvd., Suite 309, Sterling Lyon Building, Winnipeg, MB, R3P 1C7, Canada. The nearest alternative location is 3170 43rd Street South, Suite 102, Fargo, ND, 58104, U.S.A.

CLARB

For information about the exams, please visit the CLARB website at www.CLARB.org.

Candidates must register with CLARB directly and all fees associated with exam registration are the responsibility of the candidate.

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To keep completely up to date with the most current information, please visit the CLARB website on an ongoing basis.

Information that has recently been updated on the CLARB website:

- [Take the Exam](#) - provides details about eligibility, dates/deadlines/fees, registration, the Exam Orientation Guide, preparing for the exam, and viewing exam results and pass rates.
- [Apply for Licensure](#) - provides details about licensure requirements, applying for licensure by means of the Council Record, contacting your Licensure Board, and checking the status of your Council Record.
- [Manage Your Career](#) - provides details about advancing your career with CLARB certification, accessing your Council Record, managing your career with the help of a Council Record, tracking continuing education, finding landscape architecture CES-approved continuing education, and connecting with allied organizations.
- [Learn About Licensure](#) - provides details about why licensure is important, how to become licensed, connecting with CLARB, and learning about landscape architecture.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Various resources and study guides have been donated to the University of Manitoba *Architecture/Fine Arts Library*. Please see the attached appendix for a complete listing of titles available from the U of M Library and other sites.
- On a one-time basis only, MALA Associates may be reimbursed for a U of M Library Membership Card (please submit a receipt to the MALA office).
- Those interested in participating in a study group to assist candidates in preparing to write sections of the L.A.R.E. may contact the MALA office at 204.663.4863 or email malaoffice@shaw.ca.

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