

QUALIFYING EXAMINATION FOR ARCHITECTURAL LICENTIATES 2026
WEB ADVERTISEMENT



BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION

REGISTRATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATION FOR ARCHITECTURAL LICENTIATES – 2026

Those who wish to be eligible for registration with the Architectural Registration Board (ARB), under the Category “Architectural Licentiates”, as stipulated in the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (Amendment) Act No.14 of 1996 are hereby invited to register with the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA) as prospective candidates to sit for the Qualifying Examination for Architectural Licentiates (QEAL) – 2026.

A pass in the Qualifying Examination and the confirmation letter issued by the Board of Architectural Education (BAE) of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA) to that effect is a pre-requisite to apply for Registration as “Architectural Licentiates” with the Architects Registration Board. The examination and the course leading to it will be conducted in English.

Following categories of persons are eligible to apply for registration with the BAE/SLIA for the qualifying examination.

No.	Qualification	Prescribed work experience
1.	Graduate Membership of SLIA	4 years under a Chartered Architect or an Architect after Graduate Membership.
2.	SLIA Part I	5 years under a Chartered Architect or an Architect after SLIA Part I.
3.	B.Sc. Built Environment	5 years under a Chartered Architect or an Architect after B.Sc. Built Environment.
4.	Possessing other overseas qualifications in Architecture (equivalent to 1, 2 or 3 of above) as acceptable to the SLIA.	5 years out of which 1 year in Sri Lanka under a Chartered Architect or an Architect, after overseas Qualifications.
5.	Involved in the field of designing of buildings for a prescribed period.	(a) 15 years of which 5 years in a position of responsibility and 10 years being involved in the field of designing of buildings as the main source of income/livelihood OR (b) 10 years under a Chartered Architect or an Architect of which 5 years in a position of responsibility

It should be noted that the word “Architect” and its derivatives are protected by the said Legislation and a person unless registered with the Architects Registration Board (ARB) should not use such terms. For clarifications if any, the Manager – Board of Architectural Education (BAE) can be contacted over Telephone No. 011-2678255. Relevant Application Form can be downloaded from the website www.slia.lk (path: Recourses → Education → Applications).

Completed hard-copy of the Application together with the payment receipt from the SLIA for the Application Fee of **Rs. 4,500.00 + SSCL** shall be submitted to the Manager, BAE on or before **31st May 2026** during SLIA office hours. Registration for the “Qualifying Examination for Architectural Licentiates” will be subject to a selection interview.

The part time course leading to this examination will be commenced after a sufficient number of candidates have confirmed to follow the course.

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