

# Focus



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## Calendar

**September 17,  
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RID NV  
Supplemental Exam  
*Las Vegas, Nevada*

**October 21, 2015**

Board Meeting  
*Las Vegas, Nevada*

## Important 2016 Registration Renewal Information

As a courtesy, registration renewal reminders will be mailed out to registrants in October. The renewal notice will be mailed to the address of record on file at the board office. Please complete the board's [change of address form](#) if you have changed your address, phone number, or email address. Return your completed form via email to [agoins@nsbaidrd.nv.gov](mailto:agoins@nsbaidrd.nv.gov), by mail to the address indicated on the form, or fax to 702-486-7304.



### Registration Renewal Processes Available:

- Renew online by visiting the board's website and selecting "[RENEW ONLINE](#)" from the menu on the far left. The system will lead registrants through the renewal process, as well as account set-up for new users. Registrants are advised to print the confirmation page in addition to printing the wallet card after the renewal process has been successfully completed.
- or
- Renew using a paper renewal form by accessing the interactive [renewal form](#) on the board's website at [www.nsbaidrd.state.nv.us](http://www.nsbaidrd.state.nv.us). The board will not be mailing these forms out. Completed forms are to be mailed with the renewal fee of \$150.00 to the board office address as indicated on the form. Checks should be made payable to Nevada State Board of Architecture or NSBAIDRD. To pay by credit card, download and complete a [credit card authorization form](#). Renewal forms and fees must be mailed to the board office together or they will be returned to the registrant. Do not mail the form and fee separately as it could cause your renewal to be late.

### Continuing Education Requirement Information:

- Nevada registrants renewing their licenses for 2016 must complete eight continuing education units (CEUs) in the areas of health, safety, and welfare (HSW) by December 31, 2015. A minimum of four units must be earned in a structured setting, and a maximum of four units may be earned in a self-directed setting. Two of the eight units must be obtained from code-related research or learning. Click here to view the [continuing education section](#) of NSBAIDRD's website.

## November 13-14, 2015

CIDO Annual Meeting  
Atlanta, Georgia

## Moving? Change in Employment?

Registrants have 30 days to notify the board of a change of address or place of employment per NRS 623.720. [Download a change of address form](#), or [click here to email](#) the following information to the board office:

- Full Name
- Registration Number, If Applicable
- Prior Address and Phone/Fax Numbers
- Current Address and Phone/Fax Numbers
- Email Address
- Effective Date of Change
- Type of Change – Business or Home?

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- The following registrants may be exempted from the continuing education requirement:
  - A new registrant is exempt for the year in which the certificate of registration is issued, as well as the following year. These registrants do not need to submit an exemption request form.
  - A registrant who serves on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States for at least 120 consecutive days during a calendar year will be exempt for that calendar year. These registrants must submit an [exemption request form](#) along with appropriate documentation.
  - A registrant who cannot meet the requirements because of illness, physical disability, or undue hardship may be granted an exemption at the board's discretion. These registrants must submit an [exemption request form](#) along with appropriate documentation.
- Be mindful of the option you choose in the "Continuing Education" section of the renewal process whether renewing online or submitting a paper renewal form. **Do not select that you are in compliance with the previous year's HSW CEUs unless you have actually completed the CEUs and have the backup documentation to prove it.** Each renewal cycle, a percentage of registrants will be randomly selected for audit of the continuing education units claimed. The randomly selected registrants will be required to submit proof of completion of the CEUs claimed. [Click here](#) to view NSBAIDRD's policy regarding continuing education audits.

### Timeliness & Late Fees:

- It is the registrant's responsibility to ensure that the renewal application is completed and submitted in a timely manner. The renewal period will end on December 31, 2015. Nevada has no grace period for renewal of expired licenses.
- Failure to receive a registration renewal notice does not relieve a registrant from the duty of renewing in a timely manner, nor does it relieve them from the obligation to pay a late renewal fee.
- A registrant not completing the renewal process by December 31, 2015 will have their name dropped from the active registrant list and their name and license number will be forwarded to the Nevada building departments.
- Any renewal fees and forms received after December 31, 2015 will be assessed a late renewal fee of \$220.00 in addition to the annual renewal fee of \$150.00.

If you have any questions concerning the registration renewal process, please call the NSBAIDRD office at 702-486-7300 or send an email to [nsbaidrd@nsbaidrd.nv.gov](mailto:nsbaidrd@nsbaidrd.nv.gov).

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## Continuing Education Seminar

### Coming to Reno - December 7

Have you earned Nevada's eight required health, safety, and welfare (HSW) continuing education units (CEUs) in order to renew your registration for 2016? Attending the NSBAIDRD/AIA Continuing Education Seminar in Reno on Monday, December 7 will meet that requirement in one day, as well as ensure that you will pass the continuing education audit should you be randomly selected.

This year's event includes multiple speakers and covers various topics:

*Statute of Repose, What Does It Mean for Design Professionals?*  
Louis Ling, Esq. - Legal Counsel, NSBAIDRD

*What If An Architecture Firm Falls Into The Legal Rabbit Hole?*  
Noah G. Allison, Esq. - The Allison Law Firm Chartered

*Building Department Burning Issues & Local Amendments*  
Don Jeppson - Washoe County Building Official

*Air Conditioned Spaces & Sustainable HVAC Designs*  
Paul Santos - Big Ass Solutions

*Green Building Standards, Air Movement, & Extreme Designs*  
Paul Santos - Big Ass Solutions

[Click here for further information and/or to register.](#)

[Continuing Education Regulation \(NAC 623.630 - 646\)](#)

### NCARB to Launch ARE 5.0 in Late 2016



The National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB)

updates the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) every six to ten years so that it coincides with current practice. ARE 5.0, which will be launched by NCARB in late 2016, will incorporate new testing technologies to replace the graphic vignette software, new performance item type questions, and other refinements and enhancements. While ARE 4.0 contains seven divisions organized around content topic areas, 5.0 will have only six divisions organized around practice areas.

### ARE 5.0 Divisions

ARE 5.0 will be organized around the six practice areas of architecture. The new six-division structure is the result of aligning the ARE with the more commonly defined professional architect activities of practice management, project management, and project design. ARE 5.0 will introduce two new item types, "hot Spot" and "drag and place" items. It will also include scenario-based case studies.

Candidates are permitted to take the divisions in any order. Each division represents one test administration. The divisions are as follows:

- 1) Practice Management
- 2) Project Management
- 3) Programming & Analysis
- 4) Project Planning & Design
- 5) Project Development & Documentation
- 6) Construction & Evaluation

### ARE 5.0 Timeline

While ARE 5.0 will not be launched until late 2016, NCARB has released transition information as far in advance as possible to allow candidates maximum time to plan for the change.

- **Fall 2015** - A transition calculator tool will be made available to help candidates understand how they may be impacted by the transition.
- **January 2016** - The full policies and procedures describing ARE 5.0 will be released in the ARE 5.0 Guidelines. This allows candidates a minimum of nine months to better understand ARE 5.0 and help them establish a plan to complete the ARE.
- **Spring and Summer 2016** - NCARB will be working with AIA components, its Architect Licensing Advisors, and the test preparation industry to ensure information around the content being assessed on ARE 5.0 is well understood.
- **Late 2016** - ARE 5.0 will launch. At this time, current ARE 4.0 candidates will be able to self-transition to 5.0. Self-transitioning will allow candidates to control how they strategically complete the ARE. Once a candidate has transitioned to ARE 5.0, they will not be allowed to transfer back to ARE 4.0.
- **June 30, 2018** - ARE 4.0 will be retired. ARE 4.0 and 5.0 will be delivered simultaneously for a minimum of 18 months.



## Transitioning to ARE 5.0

- The ARE 5.0 Credit Model has been developed to provide candidates with credit for ARE 5.0 divisions based on divisions passed in ARE 4.0. [Click here](#) to view more information about the ARE 5.0 Credit Model and strategic testing approaches.
- Candidates will be able to access NCARB's transition calculator tool this fall. The calculator will be tied to the candidates NCARB Record allowing them to see how they would be affected by transitioning.
- NCARB will provide candidates with proactive customer service leading up to and throughout the transition.
- Before a candidate decides on how they should test going forward, they should review their [Rolling Clock](#) dates. ARE 4.0 division expiration dates based on the Rolling Clock will remain in effect for the transition to ARE 5.0. The earliest expiration date of any ARE 4.0 division(s) used to create an ARE 5.0 credit will be applied to the credit.

[Click here](#) for more information about ARE 5.0, including NCARB's ARE 5.0 Frequently Asked Questions.

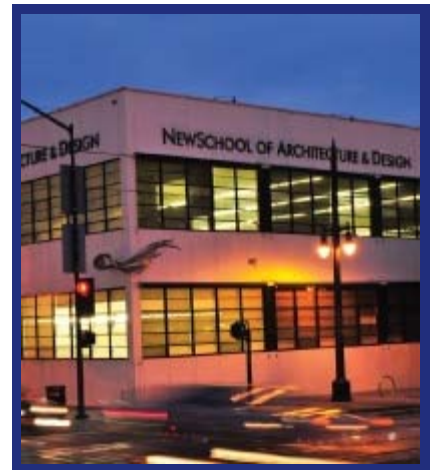
### For Those Currently Testing In ARE 4.0:

Recently updated [ARE Exam Guides](#) and [ARE Guidelines](#) are now available on NCARB's website. There are several resources available from NCARB to help candidates understand and navigate the ARE. [Click here](#) to view those resources.

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## NCARB Announces Schools Accepted for Integrated Path to Licensure

The National Council of Architecture Registration Boards (NCARB) recently released the names of the first 13 accredited architectural programs to be accepted for participation in the [NCARB Integrated Path Initiative](#). This initiative began in order to create a more structured experience for students by offering them the ability to complete the requirements for licensure at the time of graduation. Each selected school, accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), developed a proposal to restructure its academic program to allow students the opportunity to complete the Intern Development Program (IDP) and take each division of the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) before graduation.



NCARB has established a committee to guide the selected schools in the implementation process, work with registration boards to ensure that laws and regulations are in place for pre-graduation access to the ARE, and oversee the acceptance of schools into the program.

Last year, 32 schools responded to NCARB's Request for Interest and Information, indicating their intent to develop formal proposals. Schools not accepted this year can resubmit proposals next year. NCARB plans to solicit participation each year.

The 13 schools accepted into the inaugural class of NCARB's Integrated Path Initiative are:

- Boston Architectural College; Boston, Massachusetts
- Clemson University; Clemson, South Carolina
- Drexel University; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Lawrence Technological University; Southfield, Michigan
- NewSchool of Architecture and Design; San Diego, California
- North Carolina State University; Raleigh, North Carolina
- Portland State University; Portland, Oregon
- Savannah College of Art and Design; Savannah, Georgia
- University of Cincinnati; Cincinnati, Ohio
- University of Detroit Mercy; Detroit, Michigan
- University of North Carolina-Charlotte; Charlotte, North Carolina
- University of Southern California; Los Angeles, California
- Woodbury University; Los Angeles, California

Each school will implement the integrated path according to the schedule developed with their administration and faculty. Students will test in ARE 5.0, a new version of the ARE to be released in 2016. Integrated path students in each program will be part of an existing accredited degree program.

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## **New Registrants by Examination Congratulated**

The board extended congratulations to eight new registrants at a ceremony held at the August 2015 board meeting in Las Vegas. Nevada's new registrants were presented with their official stamp and certificate, and were welcomed into the profession by the board, AIA Nevada, family, and friends.



*John R. Klai II, FAIA performed the swearing-in ceremony for Nevada's new*

architects. Pictured from left to right are: John Klai, Miguel A. Villegas, Branislav Hetzel, Miriam Salas, and Hung T. Tran.



William Snyder, FAIA performed the swearing-in ceremony for Nevada's new registered interior designers. Pictured from left to right are: William Snyder, Lori Leinard, Alison B. Schulze, Johnathan Garrison, and Lindsey K. Hourie.

**Architects:**

- 7311 Branislav Hetzel (Sherman Oaks, CA)
- 7312 Hung T. Tran (Las Vegas, NV)
- 7313 Miriam Salas (New Orleans, LA)
- 7314 Miguel A. Villegas (Las Vegas, NV)

**Registered Interior Designers:**

- 221-ID Johnathan Garrison (New York, NY)
- 222-ID Lindsey K. Hourie (Henderson, NV)
- 223-ID Alison B. Schulze (Dallas, TX)
- 224-ID Lori Leinard (Nashville, TN)

## UNLV School of Architecture Students Awarded Scholarships

The American Institute of Architects (AIA) Las Vegas Scholarship Endowment Fund was established in 1996 and has provided scholarship awards to over 120 UNLV architecture students, many of whom currently practice in Nevada.

Through the commitment of the AIA Las Vegas Scholarship Program, the chapter also provides critical review to students of the UNLV School of Architecture to assist them in their education and development of their architectural acumen, awareness, and understanding.

The recipients of the 2015 AIA Las Vegas Scholarships will be formally awarded at a Welcome Back Reception hosted by AIA Las Vegas this month. Congratulations to the following UNLV School of Architecture students!



- William Zheng - Felicia Friedlander Memorial Scholarship
- Brenda Tena - Carpenter Sellers DelGatto Architects Travel Award
- Keegan Strouse - William Snyder Scholarship
- Nasko Balaktchiev - SH Architecture Scholarship

Randy Lavigne, Executive Director of AIA Nevada and AIA Las Vegas shared, "AIA is so pleased to continue to provide financial assistance to the architecture students through our scholarship program. AIA Las Vegas has been providing scholarships to UNLV architecture students for twenty years and looks forward to twenty more."

## Continuing Education Opportunities

Listed below you will find registration information and/or links to a few of the many free or low-cost providers of continuing education. A Nevada registrant wishing to renew licensure must complete eight continuing education units (CEUs) in the areas of health, safety and welfare (HSW) each year. Four of those units must be earned in a structured setting, and a maximum of four units may be earned in a self-directed setting. Two of the eight units must be obtained from code-related research or learning. [Click here](#) to view the continuing education section of NSBAIDRD's website.

### Attend a Class:

#### 2015 NSBAIDRD/AIA Nevada Continuing Education Seminar - Northern Nevada

The Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design & Residential Design in partnership with the Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects offers this full day of continuing education for all architects, interior designers, and residential designers in Nevada.

**Date:** Monday, December 7, 2015  
**Provider:** NSBAIDRD/AIA Nevada  
**Units:** Eight Structured HSW CEUs  
**Location:** Silver Legacy Hotel & Casino  
 407 N. Virginia Street  
 Reno, Nevada 89501  
**Cost:** \$30

**RSVP by registering online at [www.aianevada.org](http://www.aianevada.org).**



**Date:** Monday, November 16, 2015  
**Time:** 5:30 PM  
**Provider:** Klai Juba Wald Architects/UNLV School of Architecture  
**Speaker:** Brad Cantrell - Harvard Graduate School of Design



**Location:** Historic Fifth Street School  
401 S. Fourth Street  
Las Vegas, NV 89101  
**Cost:** Free and Open to the Public  
No RSVP Required  
[Click here](#) for more information.

**Date:** Monday, February 29, 2016  
**Time:** 5:30 PM  
**Provider:** Klai Juba Wald Architects/UNLV School of Architecture  
**Speaker:** Will Bruder - Will Bruder Architects  
**Location:** Historic Fifth Street School  
401 S. Fourth Street  
Las Vegas, NV 89101  
**Cost:** Free and Open to the Public  
No RSVP Required  
[Click here](#) for more information.

**Date:** Monday, March 14, 2016  
**Provider:** Klai Juba Wald Architects/UNLV School of Architecture  
**Speaker:** Paul Yaggie - Vincent James Associates Architects  
**Location:** Historic Fifth Street School  
401 S. Fourth Street  
Las Vegas, NV 89101  
**Cost:** Free and Open to the Public  
No RSVP Required  
[Click here](#) for more information.

### Online Courses with NCARB:

**Provider:** NCARB  
**Program:** Monographs  
**Location:** Online at [NCARB](#)  
**CEU Credit:** Varies from 8 - 20 hours by course  
**Cost:** Free to NCARB record holders; \$100 -\$275 for others

**Provider:** NCARB  
**Program:** Mini-monographs  
**Location:** Online at [NCARB](#)  
**CEU Credit:** Varies from 1 - 1.5 hours by course  
**Cost:** Free to NCARB record holders; \$35 for others

### Browse the following sites for courses of your choosing:

[AEC Daily](#)

[The Architect's Resource](#)

[McGraw-Hill Construction Continuing Education Center](#)

[Red Vector](#)

**Note:** All Nevada continuing education units (CEUs) must be related to health, safety, and welfare (HSW). Courses approved for Learning Units (LUs) **ONLY** do not meet Nevada's CEU requirements.

## Disciplinary Actions

(June 11, 2015 through August 19, 2015)

Inquiries are routinely sent to both registrants and non-registrants for alleged violations of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Codes (NAC).

There were two cases this period that were submitted for board consideration and approved. Additionally, two cases were closed because there was no basis for the allegations or the complaint did not fall within the board's jurisdiction.

The following cases were closed by means of settlement agreement. As part of the agreement, respondents agreed to assure compliance with Chapter 623. Should the respondent be involved in a subsequent case and found to have again violated NRS or NAC, the case may be used as an aggravating factor.

Every effort is made to ensure that the following information is correct. Before making any decision based on this information, you should contact the NSBAIDRD.

### Holding Oneself Out, Advertising, and Unlicensed Practice of Architecture, Registered Interior Design, or Residential Design: NRS 623.360.1 (a)(b)(c)

#### Case Number 15-026N

The allegations against *Kurstin Schmitz and Urbane Design, Inc.* were that she advertised on her website multiple Nevada projects representing registered interior design services without having a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$6,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,200.

#### Case Number 15-028N

The allegations against *Kerry Joyce and Kerry Joyce & Associates* were that that they held themselves out as being qualified to practice architecture and registered interior design in Nevada and engaged in the practice of architecture and registered interior design in Nevada without having certificates of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$6,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,500.

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