The path to becoming a licensed architect in Nebraska starts with knowing what is required. To ensure those individuals practicing architecture are competent, the Board of Engineers and Architects looks at three qualifications for applicants seeking licensure:

- **Education**
- **Examination**
- **Experience**

This pamphlet summarizes the pathway to initial licensure as an architect. To view the detailed requirements for becoming an architect in Nebraska, please refer to The Nebraska Engineers and Architects Regulation Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-3401 to 81-3455).

A handbook containing the Act and Board rules can be found at ea.nebraska.gov/ea-act or you can contact our staff for a copy.

Pathway to Becoming a Licensed Architect in Nebraska

- Obtain a professional degree in architecture from a NAAB-accredited program [NAAB accredits programs, not institutions or degrees]

**OR**

Meet the NCARB Education Standard

- Apply to the Board to take the NCARB Architectural Registration Examination (ARE)
- Approval from Board to take for ARE
- Register with NCARB to take the ARE
- Pass the ARE
- Complete NCARB’s Architectural Experience Program (AXP)
- Pass an exam administered by the Board on the statutes, rules, and other requirements unique to Nebraska.