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Hi there,

As a reminder, several updates to the Architectural Experience Program® (AXP®) go into effect today, November 18, 2025.

NCARB is currently working to update the free [AXP Supervisor Training](#), [AXP Portfolio Supervisor Training](#), and [Supervising With Impact](#) courses to reflect these changes—the updated courses will be available in the coming months.

The updates to the AXP do not change the program’s required hours or experience area structure, and no candidates will lose AXP credit as a result of these changes.

Explore AXP Updates

For more details, you can download the [AXP Guidelines](#). In addition to minor programmatic updates and language clarifications, the *AXP Guidelines* feature changes in the following three areas:

Refreshed Experience Area Descriptions

The descriptions of the six AXP experience areas in the *AXP Guidelines* have been refreshed to reflect the 16 competencies detailed in the [NCARB Competency Standard for Architects](#). Aspects of the competencies have been divided across the six experience areas as appropriate. [Learn more about the updates to experience areas.](#)

Updated Reporting Policy

The reporting requirement has been replaced with the new reporting policy. Under the updated policy, candidates must report experience within **one year** of earning it for 100% credit. They can also report all experience older than one year for **75% credit instead of 50% credit**, with no limitation on how old the experience can be.

Any impacted experience reports will be updated in My NCARB by the end of the day today. If your candidate has questions regarding how their experience has been impacted by the change in the reporting policy, please direct them to contact NCARB for help. [Learn more about the updates to the reporting policy.](#)

Continuing Education Experience

NCARB has expanded the “Setting O: Continuing Education for HSW” opportunity that allows candidates to gain experience for completing CE programs that qualify for Health, Safety, and Welfare (HSW).

Under the updated requirements, NCARB accepts CE courses covering HSW subjects when they are reported on transcripts provided by pre-approved organizations. This now includes NCARB’s entire library of continuing education courses. [Learn how to help candidates report continuing education for AXP credit.](#)

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