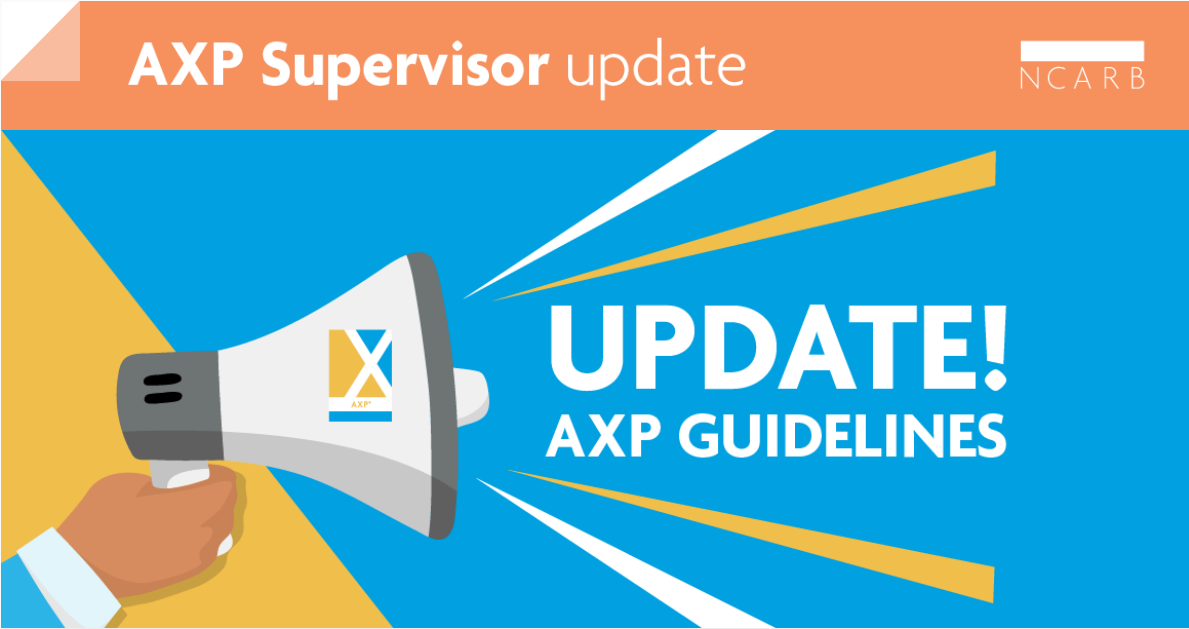


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Understand the Upcoming AXP Changes »

As a reminder, several updates to the Architectural Experience Program® (AXP®) will launch on November 18, 2025. These updates are designed to align the program with the [NCARB Competency Standard for Architects](#) and to address common administrative impediments faced by candidates on the path to licensure—including the experience program’s reporting requirement.

Explore AXP Updates

Experience Area Spotlight: Programming & Analysis »

The Programming & Analysis experience area covers the first phase of a project, which focuses on researching and evaluating client requirements, building code and zoning regulations, and site data to develop recommendations on the feasibility of a project. For more information about all experience areas, read the [AXP Guidelines](#).



Answers to Your Top Questions About the Upcoming AXP Changes »

NCARB experts recently [led a webinar](#) to explain the upcoming AXP changes and respond to questions from licensure candidates and architects—including questions about the [new reporting requirement policy](#). Here are answers to some of the top questions we’ve received.

IPAL Policy Changes Expand Access to Accelerated Licensure Program »

On July 1, 2025, NCARB implemented several policy changes to the Integrated Path to Architectural Licensure (IPAL)—an accelerated pathway to licensure for motivated students—to make the program more accessible to a wider range of academic programs and remove identified barriers for IPAL student success.

Explore New Architecture Education and Experience Data »

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