

# Architecture is an International Profession

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE BROADLY EXPERIENCED FOREIGN ARCHITECT (BEFA) CERTIFICATION PROGRAM?



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"Through the BEFA program, I was able to become part of the Canadian architectural community."

## Additional pathways to licensure for foreign Architects in Canada:



Academic certification of your degree to enter the Canadian internship program:

[cacb.ca/academic-certification/](http://cacb.ca/academic-certification/)

International Mutual Recognition Agreements:

[cala-roac.ca/professional-mobility/](http://cala-roac.ca/professional-mobility/)

## The Broadly Experienced Foreign Architect Program (BEFA)

The competency-based BEFA Program was developed by the Canadian Architectural community to provide an opportunity for foreign-licensed Architects to pursue their profession in Canada.

**The BEFA Program wants you to succeed.** Guidance and advice regarding submission requirements, and information on how to highlight skills to demonstrate each of the Canadian competencies can be found here: [befa-aeve.ca/demonstration-of-competency/](http://befa-aeve.ca/demonstration-of-competency/)

**After your submission is received.** Following receipt, a panel of three Architects will review the submission, after which an interview will be held either in person or remotely.

**The BEFA program is here to support you.** Inspirational stories of successful BEFA applicants can be found here: [befa-aeve.ca/success-stories](http://befa-aeve.ca/success-stories) Submit your application now!

**What is next for successful applicants?** Applicants who obtain BEFA certification are then eligible to apply for licensure as an architect across Canada. Check with your selected licensing jurisdiction regarding practising as an Architect.

**If you are not yet in Canada.** Applicants are still able to begin the process even if they are not yet in Canada. 12-18 months is the typical timeframe for completing all phases of the application process.



Start your journey to licensure in Canada today

[befa-aeve.ca/](http://befa-aeve.ca/)

For more information on BEFA Certification:

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