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Mandate  
[as approved by Council]  
April 2010:

To
• assess the academic qualifications of applicants referred to the Academic Requirements Committee (ARC) by the Registrar or as requested by applicant to review their qualifications,
  • advise Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) on academic matters relating to PEO Admission procedures and policies, and
  • oversee the Professional Practice Examination (PPE).

Legislative References:

Professional Engineers Act, Section 14 (3), 14 (4), 14 (5), 18 (3)

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R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 941, Section 34

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R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 941, Section 36

(7) Where an applicant who is required by the Academic Requirements Committee to take and pass more than one examination fails to take at least one examination in each academic year after taking the first of such examinations, the Registrar shall withdraw the applicant’s application for a licence unless the applicant submits to the Registrar reasonable justification in writing for the failure to take the examination.
(1) The Academic Requirements Committee is continued and shall be composed of a chair appointed by Council, the immediate past chair, if any, and such other Members as are appointed by the Council and three members of the Committee constitute a quorum.

(2) Where an application for the issuance of a licence, temporary licence or limited licence is referred to the Academic Requirements Committee pursuant to the Act, the Committee shall,
(a) assess the academic qualifications of the applicant;
(b) determine whether the applicant meets the academic qualifications prescribed by this Regulation and so advise the Registrar; and
(c) if the Committee determines that the applicant does not meet the academic requirements, specify the academic requirements that the applicant must meet, for the purposes of the notice referred to in subsection 14 (6) of the Act.

(3) For the purpose of carrying out its duties in subsection (2), the Academic Requirements Committee,
(a) shall review the education, experience and other qualifications of the applicant in the light of the academic standards established for the issuance of licences, temporary licences or limited licences, as the case requires, at the time of such review;
(b) may, in the discretion of the Committee and on its own initiative, interview the applicant;
(c) may refer the experience of an applicant to the Experience Requirements Committee for an assessment and recommendation as to how such experience should be taken into account in assigning examinations to the applicant; and
(d) shall consider and decide upon the form and content of examinations recommended and the results of such examinations.

(4) For the purposes of clause 14 (4) (b) of the Act, the Registrar shall refer to the Academic Requirements Committee every application for a limited licence made on or after the day

**Terms of Reference [Key duties]:**

- Review and evaluate the academic qualifications of applicants
- Review, evaluate, recommend, and make policies and procedures pertaining to ARC's mandate.
- Review and advise on PPE issues.
- Interact with the Experience Requirements Committee (ERC) on issues of commonality and interest.
- Equity and Diversity Module to be reviewed by each member (required of new members).

For a representative list of specific activities see Appendix A.

**Equity and Diversity Awareness**

1. *Was the E & D module reviewed in order to have tasks and activities align with the E&D Policies? YES*

2. *Is each task/activity being done in an equitable manner and engaging diverse groups? YES, also in 2017 ARC expanded the guidelines on the Conflict of Interest and Bias in its Manual*
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3. Are there any barriers to information dissemination, human resources, physical space, and cultural differences? ARC related documents, such as the Engineering Report Preparation and Guideline documents should be online and accessible to public

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Persons with special needs are appropriately accommodated.

Inter-committee collaboration:
Known or Expected Collaborations (September 2017 – September 2018)
- Experience Requirements Committee
- Advisory Committee on Volunteers
- Registration Committee
- Legislative Committee
- Licensing Committee
- National Framework Task Force

Stakeholders:
• Engineers Canada
• Ryerson University with respect to IEEQB – Internationally Educated Engineers Qualification Bridging Program
• McMaster University with respect to their B.Tech programs

APPENDIX A REPRESENTATIVE ARC ACTIVITIES

1. Review and assess the academic qualifications of applicants not possessing a Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (CEAB) accredited engineering degree, and to recommend a course of action to the Registrar.

2. Recommend new or amended admissions-related policies or procedures. For example, the establishment of policies, guidelines, procedures and standards pertaining to the Admissions Policy Manual, to emerging disciplines, to scopes of practice, to memoranda of agreement, etc.

3. Develop and review examination syllabi and the PEO board sheets.


5. Review and approve Experience Requirements Committee (ERC) recommendations with respect to files referred by the ARC.

6. Assign, review and approve technical examinations, e.g., for content and quality assurance.

7. Review and approve the Professional Practice Examination (PPE) also referred to as the Ethics and Law examination. Review and approve the results of the PPE and make recommendations on actions to be taken by applicants failing the PPE.

8. Receive information and provide advice to the Registrar or Council on current academic requirements initiatives and issues (including Canadian Engineering Qualifications Board (CEQB), Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (CEAB), Engineers Canada, emerging disciplines) that affect the processing and assessment of applications for licensure.