

PUBLIC NOTICE

VALIDATION OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES IN SRI LANKA

The Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA) established by the "Sri Lanka Institute of Architects Law No. 1 of 1976" and amended by the "Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (Amendment) Act No. 14 of 1996" is empowered to regulate and control architectural education in Sri Lanka. Accordingly, SLIA has established curricula for Parts I, II & III Examinations of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects. Any person who intends to register with the Architects Registration Board (ARB) to qualify to practice as a Chartered Architect or Architect in Sri Lanka has to pass the above examinations.

Only those candidates who have passed the Part I and Part II Examinations of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects or obtained exemptions thereof are eligible to sit the Part III Examination of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects which is conducted only by SLIA.

SLIA conducts a structured and systematic approach in evaluating applications submitted by academic institutions of Sri Lanka for validation of programmes of study in architecture conducted by those institutions at Part I and Part II levels. Exemption of Sri Lankan architectural qualifications are based on the validation status granted by SLIA to architectural educational programmes as follows,

Validation	Entitlement
Status	
Candidate	The graduates can apply to sit the respective Examination of SLIA.
Status	
Listed Course	The graduates are eligible to apply to obtain exemption from the respective SLIA Examination.
Accredited	The graduates are exempted from the respective SLIA Examination.
Status	

Architecture Programmes in Sri Lanka validated by SLIA are as follows;

Institution	Programme of Study	Validation status granted	Remarks
Department of Architecture of the University of Moratuwa	Honours Degree of Bachelor of Architecture (B. Arch.)	Accredited Status	 a. Those who have obtained 90 credits in the first 3 years of the programme are entitled to be exempted from the SLIA Part I Examination. b. B. Arch. Graduates are entitled to be exempted from the SLIA Part I and SLIA Part II Examinations.

Institution	Programme of Study	Validation status granted	Remarks
City School of Architecture (Colombo) Limited	CSA Diploma in Architectural Studies	Accredited Status	Exempted from the SLIA Part I Examination.
	CSA Higher Diploma in Architecture	Accredited Status	Exempted from the SLIA Part II Examination.
School of Architecture of the Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology (SLIIT), Malabe Campus in Academic partnership with Liverpool John Moores University, UK	Architecture Degree	Listed Course from 2022	 a. Graduates who qualified in 2022 and after are eligible to apply for exemptions from the SLIA Part I Examination. b. Graduates who qualified before 2022 are eligible to sit the SLIA Part I Examination.
School of Architecture of the Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology (SLIIT), Malabe Campus.	Graduate Diploma in Architecture	Candidate Status	Graduates who passed or have been exempted from the SLIA Part I Examination are eligible to sit the SLIA Part II Examination.
Department of Architecture of the Sir John Kotelawala Defence University (KDU), Southern Campus	Bachelor of Architecture (BArch) Programme	Candidate Status	 a. Those who completed Levels 1, 2, 3 with 28 weeks of inbuilt Practical Training are eligible to sit the SLIA Part I Examination. b. BArch Graduates who passed the SLIA Part I Examination are eligible to sit the SLIA Part II Examination.

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