ARE Seminar

Core Competency Workshop:
Building Systems

Saturday, June 25, 2011
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Alagasco Training Center
20 South 20th Street
Birmingham, AL 35925

Presented by
The Alabama Board for Registration of Architects,
Auburn University School of Architecture and
Alabama Council AIA
Core Competency Workshop

Development of the core competencies of practice is a critical concern for interns and the profession as a whole. This daylong program will utilize Kaplan AEC Education to present the material and conduct the workshops. Recognized as the most experienced and recommended professional education firm in the Industry, Kaplan will provide sessions on test taking strategies, Site Planning, Building Planning, and Building Technologies. These have been reported to be areas of preparation that interns need most.

Course Content Summary

Based on Kaplan’s ARE review materials and the knowledge and experience of seminar presenters, this review will utilize Kaplan’s industry-leading exam prep content to create an innovative educational experience. The 8-hour seminar will cover all topics required for the graphic divisions under NCARB’s ARE Guidelines V4.0.

The seminar will open with helpful tips both for preparing for these exams and for success on exam day itself. Test-takers often forget that preparing for an exam is different than merely studying the subject matter. Most candidates can significantly improve their scores by remaining calm and focusing on the task at hand. These tips should help them.

PRESENTERS

Robert Elfer, NCARB, is a partner at OceanUS, a design practice based in Boston, New York and London. He possesses bachelor’s degrees in architecture and management information systems, and has practiced architecture since 1992—most notably in Boston with Moshe Safdie and in Paris with Rem Koolhaas and Francis Soler. He has led ARE seminars since 1999 and currently teaches at the Boston Architectural Center. Robert also led ARE Building Technology reviews at the American Institute of Architect’s national conventions in 2006 and 2007.

Bob J. Wise, Jr., AIA, of Wise Architecture in San Antonio, has led ARE review seminars for the San Antonio chapter of the American Institute of Architects for several years. He is a former member of NCARB’s exam writing and scoring committees. Wise is also senior lecturer in the School of Architecture at the University of Texas at San Antonio. He led ARE review sessions for the Site Planning division at the 2006 and 2007 national conventions.

PROGRAM BUILDING SYSTEM WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION

Each portion of these lectures is critical to exam-day success. With years of experience teaching these seminars, the presenters’ key tips and strategies can be found nowhere else. The tool review is also critical—NCARB’s software is frequently the source of significant candidate anxiety, and it’s important to understand its nuances before sitting for the actual exam. Finally, exam walk-throughs are crucial to understanding what the NCARB grading system demands from a passing solution.

This approach optimizes review of concepts and problem-solving within time constraints.

Course materials will include:
- PowerPoint Presentations
- Attendee Handouts
- Notes-style PDF of PowerPoint presentation
- Building System Division flash cards
- Additional take-home vignettes

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m       Registration
9:00 a.m. - 12 noon        Building System Workshop
12 noon - 1:00 p.m.        Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.      Building System Workshop (Continued)
ARE Seminar Registration Form

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State: ______________________   Zip: _________________________

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Registration
   ___ All Day Session Core Competency Workshops, Member: $50  
       (lunch included)

   ___ All Day Session Core Competency Workshops, Non-Member: $75  
       (lunch included)

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