

INTRODUCTION

The RIBA Professional Experience and Development Record (PEDR) is a mandatory component of the RIBA Examination in Professional Practice and Management (Part 3), the final examination of an architectural student's training.

The PEDR is an on-line electronic record system prepared by the RIBA to assist students to record their professional experience and development in the workplace.

RIBA Professional Experience Regulations require students to undertake a minimum of 24 months work experience subsequent to having commenced a recognised course of architectural training and prior to sitting the Part 3 Examination.

Such work experience is normally taken in two stages:

Stage 1 (Part 1 - year out) – occurring after successful completion of the first degree.

Stage 2 – experience is taken after completion of Part 2.

The RIBA and the schools of architecture have appointed members of staff as Professional Studies Advisors. They have responsibility for professional studies and the monitoring of students undertaking professional experience. The Professional Studies Advisor is also responsible for reviewing the PEDR record sheets each quarter and commenting on the breadth, scope and adequacy of the professional experience gained by the student.

AVAILABLE SERVICES AND COURSES

RIBA North West offer a range of support services and courses for students of architecture who are undertaking periods of professional work experience.

PEDR MONITORING (STAGE 1 – POST PART 1)

The services of a RIBA Professional Studies Advisor during the first period of professional experience. This service extends only to providing quarterly reviews of the record sheets and returning the completed and signed information to the student.

ENHANCED MONITORING SERVICE AND SHORT COURSE (STAGE 1 – POST PART 1)

A comprehensive support service comprising:

- Quarterly review of PEDR sheets as described in PEDR monitoring.
- A pre-arranged visit to the student's office during the practical training period.
- Two intensive one day courses with seminar inputs on key areas of practice, process and legislation in architectural practice.

Stage 1 monitoring services are available to all students who have passed or gained exemption from the RIBA Part 1 examination.

PEDR MONITORING (STAGE 2 – POST PART 2)

Quarterly reviews of PEDR record sheets as described for Stage 1 service.

Available to all graduates who are awaiting enrolment on a Part 3 course of training.

THE RIBA PART 3 ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN ARCHITECTURE

The course was established in 1990 by the University Schools of Architecture in Liverpool and Manchester and the North West Region of the RIBA which is responsible for its administration and organisation. The course and the related Examination in Professional Practice satisfies the requirements of ARB/RIBA Part 3 recognition. Holders of Part 1 and Part 2 recognition who are successful in the examination are eligible for registration under the Architects Registration Act 1997 and chartered membership of the RIBA.

The course is open to graduates preparing for the examination in professional practice, overseas architects working in the UK and architects returning to practice after an interval in other activities.

Advice and guidance on practical training and experience and the monitoring of PEDR records is available to students who are participating on the course.