Membership Qualifications: Chapter Discussion Guide

To further explore the member opinions on membership qualifications, the next phase in the consideration of these issues is for ASLA trustees and chapter presidents to facilitate discussion of the issues at the chapter level. Chapters may initiate this conversation in any way that suits the needs of the chapter, with the goal to get the broadest and most productive conversation about the two issues. Facilitators should review the information in the reports with participants to ensure the full context of the issues is provided.

Use this form to report back to ASLA national. Answers will be compiled and distributed to chapter leaders prior to the midyear Board of Trustees meeting. Reporting deadline: April 15.

International Members

1. Should ASLA amend its bylaws to open full membership to International Members? This change would essentially make full membership global and eliminate the International Member category. Why or Why not?
2. If answering "no" to #1, do you support changing the focus of the international criteria from country of residence to country where landscape architecture degree was earned? Why or why not?
3. Should International Members be eligible for Fellowship? Why or why not?
4. What services should ASLA be providing to its International Members?

Licensure and Membership

1. Should ASLA require licensure for full membership in the Society?
2. What impacts do you expect for ASLA if licensure is required for full membership?
3. What are the three top reasons to require licensure for full membership?
4. What are the three top reasons to keep the current criteria and not require licensure for full membership?
5. Should there be one designation to signify licensure for all landscape architects (e.g., PLA, LLA, RLA)? Why/why not?

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