# Expedited Admission Program Request
## For PAg or TAg

Professionals who have the required educational requirements and work experience may be eligible for immediate full status registration within the British Columbia Institute of Agrologists (BCIA) through its Expedited Admission Program.

This Program allows qualified individuals to expedite the required Articling Program by having certain elements of the standard articling term waived.  Upon approval the new registrant will immediately receive their full status designation on the condition that the new registrant meets the registration duties and responsibilities outlined below.

**Expedited Admission Eligibility**

Professionals must meet the current educational requirements for registration and have a minimum of <u>15 years agrology-related</u> experience (from official bachelor graduation, not counting masters or PhD programs). The required experience can be from government, private industry or educational institution employment with all experience and applications being reviewed by the BCIA Credentials Committee on a case by case basis. Please note that deficiencies in meeting the current educational requirements *may* be addressed by the imposition of additional educational requirements by the BCIA Credentials Committee at the discretion of that Committee.  <u>It is the expectation that an eligible applicant be currently employed in the field of agrology at the time of application</u>.

**Expedited Admission Process**

1.  Make application to the BCIA and comply with all fee requirements
2.  Submit a detailed resume or curriculum vitae with month/year
3.  Submit letters of employment indicating start/end dates and a full description of experience obtained such as hiring/reference letters (salary details not required)
4.  Sign and submit this Request document
5.  Have official transcripts for all credentials, including transfer credits, mailed directly to the BCIA office from the educational institution(s).  If international credentials then a report from an evaluation service such as ICES will be required.

Upon receipt of the required documentation the Applicant's materials will be provided to the BCIA Credentials Committee which will make a determination within approximately 6-8 calendar weeks from the date that the Committee receives the respective application for review.

**Expedited Admission Duties and Responsibilities**

Applicants must adhere to the following requirements:

1. Comply with additional educational conditions placed on the new Registrant by the Credentials Committee, if any.
2. Complete within a time period set by the BCIA Credentials Committee '**Orientation to BCIA**' webinar and the '**Professional Negligence and Regulatory Offences'** webinar which together review the *Professional Governance Act (the PGA),* BCIA Bylaws, policies, professionalism and ethics, and the role of a professional and of the Institute.
3. Complete the **BCIA Ethics for Professionals Workshop** <u>within one year of activation</u>.
4. Complete **Indigenous Awareness Foundational Training** <u>within one year of activation</u>.
5. Attend one **Branch AGM OR one BCIA AGM** <u>within two years of activation</u>.
6. Sign a declaration indicating adherence to the BCIA Code of Ethics.
7. Complete all annual Professional Development (PD) requirements of the Institute.
8. Select and indicate appropriate Area(s) of Practice annually as defined by BCIA.
9. Keep contact information current on the BCIA profile.
10. Pay annual professional fees and submit PD records by February 15th of each year.

Upon approval by the BCIA Credentials Committee applicants fulfilling these Expedited Admission Program requirements will be designated as full status registrants "in good standing" according to the ***Professional Governance Act* [SBC 2018] CHAPTER 47**, and the BCIA Bylaws.

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I request the BCIA Credentials Committee consider my application under the Expedited Admission Program.   I agree to comply with all requirements and timelines as outlined under 'Expedited Admission Duties and Responsibilities'.

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Printed Name                                                            Date:

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Signature