




## Qualifications for Certification of Archaeological and Paleontological Professionals


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### I. Archaeology - Minimum Qualifications

- A. Graduate degree in archaeology, or in anthropology or a closely related field with a specialization in archaeology, plus at least one year professional level experience (surveys, excavations, or other archaeological work pertinent to environmental review requirements), major components for which the individual had principal responsibility; or

BA or BS degree in archaeology, or in anthropology or a closely related field with a specialization in archaeology, plus at least three years professional level experience (surveys, excavations, or other archaeological work pertinent to environmental review requirements), major components for which the individual had principal responsibility; or

Accreditation by professional archeological society such as Register of Professional Archeologists.

- B. At least one year of local Southern California archaeological experience.
- C. Demonstrated ability to carry research studies and reports to completion in a timely manner.

### II. Paleontology - Minimum Qualifications

- A. Graduate degree in paleontology, or in geology or a closely related field with a specialization in paleontology, plus at least one year of profession level experience (surveys, salvage, or other paleontological work pertinent to environmental review requirements), major components for which the individual had principal responsibility; or

BA or BS degree In paleontology or in geology or a closely related field with specialization in paleontology, plus at least three years professional level experience (surveys, salvage, or other paleontological work pertinent to environmental review requirements), major components of which the individual had principal responsibility; or

Accreditation by professional paleontological society such as The Paleontological Society.

- B. At least one year of local Southern California paleontological experience.
- C. Demonstrated ability to carry research studies and reports to completion in a timely manner.

Qualifications for each certification is evaluated based on submittal of resume and letter of application, as administered and reviewed by OC Public Works (OCPW), which may seek additional review by qualified organization, individuals or other entities.

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