CALL THE PROS
What is a Historic Preservation Professional?

There are established minimum standards for Historic Preservation Professionals. The standards are based on education and experience required to perform identification, evaluation, registration, and treatment activities.

These standards are found in the Code of Federal Regulations, 36 CFR Part 61, better known as

Archeology and Historic Preservation: Secretary of the Interior’s Standards and Guidelines [As Amended]

https://www.nps.gov/history/local-law/arch_stnds_9.htm
What are the Professional Qualification Standards as defined in 36 CFR Part 61?

- History
- Archeology
- Architectural History
- Architecture
- Historic Architecture

Typically must have a professional degree (master’s) in the specified or closely related field plus one year work experience, or undergraduate and equivalent work experience.

- Architectural History
- Architecture
- Conservation
- Cultural Anthropology (including Ethnography and Ethnohistory, etc.)
- Curation
- Folklore
- Historic Preservation

- Historical Archeology
- History
- Landscape Architecture
- Land Use/Community Planning
- Prehistoric Archeology
- Traditional Cultural Property Expertise

http://cool.conservation-us.org/misc/dated-docs/secinterior/profqual/entire.html

Preservation Law
Why Hire a Professional?
Professionals Know the Lingo

Eligible Section 106 Period of Significance

Restoration Contributing Integrity

PART 1 SOI Standards for Rehabilitation

Contemporary but Compatible Non-contributing

Area of Significance Ineligible Criterion C

National Register of Historic Places
Providing Quality Projects

First LEED Platinum rating among 22,000 buildings in GSA’s inventory. Model of cooperation between government and private sector experts in historic preservation, architecture, and construction.

Hipolito F. Garcia Federal Building & U.S. Courthouse, San Antonio

U. S. General Services Administration, Trivers Associates, and Mark Menjivar, photographer
Save Money

If a preservation professional had been part of the planning for the rehabilitation of this project, the developer would have been advised to retain the plaster on the walls, among other issues.
The consultant had previously documented the building as part of a survey project and determined that it was not individually eligible for the NR. Still, the SHPO provided a matching grant to the school for preparation of a nomination. The consultant prepared the nomination and then the SHPO determined it was not individually eligible.
Protect Your Property

Ottmann Building, Fort Worth, received a local landmark designation to protect it from demolition.
Montague County Commissioners Court hired a consultant to prepare a National Register nomination for the county’s 1913 courthouse to get exemptions from state fire codes that might have required alterations that could have a detrimental impact on the building.
Owners of the Joe J. and Lois Perkins House in Wichita Falls sought National Register and RTHL designations for the house to recognize its architectural and historic significance.
City of Tulsa used CLG funds to hire a consultant to prepare a NR nomination for the former Bethlehem Supply Company building to attract potential developers.
Tackle Complex Projects

Ennis Commercial Historic District nomination (NR1986) classified this building as non-contributing.

National Register nomination was amended to expand the period of significance.
National Park Service determined that the Dickson-Jenkins Building in Fort Worth was not individually eligible for the National Register

Created a district focused on the apparel industry so developer could use tax credits for the Dickson-Jenkins Building.
Complex Projects

Alterations to the Enid (OK) High School rendered it potentially ineligible for the NR

A NR nomination was prepared that focused on the local response to the NDEA of 1959 resulting in the state’s first high school observatory (1963).
Expertise: Architectural Conservator

Marble Hall
New Orleans Custom House

U. S. General Services Administration
Expertise: Disaster Recovery
Art Conservator

*Vigil* Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building Plaza
U. S. General Services Administration

*Night Riders* Sculpture formerly in the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building
Qualified Preservation Professionals are often required for specific types of work:

A project that involves federal funds, licenses, permits or approval as required by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (Section 106)

Trey Mark Distillery, Fort Worth
Qualified Professionals are needed for:

Under the Antiquities Code of Texas, archeological permits may only be issued to a professional archeologist who meets the definition of Principal Investigator as presented in Rules of Practice and Procedure as contained in Title 13, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 26.

Shovel Test, Forest Park Zoo Creek Drainage Project, Fort Worth
Courtesy AR Consultants, Inc.
National Register Nomination

Seven Months Minimum

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SBR Draft
## Tax Credit Projects

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Three Months Minimum

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Three Months Minimum

Excludes preparation of architectural plans
# Tax Credit Projects

## Part 3/Part C

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Three Months Minimum

Parker-Browne Company Building, 3rd Floor, Fort Worth
Architectural/Historic Resources Survey

Three Months Minimum

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<th>Field Work and Preparation of Historic Context, Forms, and Photos</th>
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South Main Historic District, Fort Worth
Schedule

- Size & scope of project
- Available resources
- Location/travel
- Client’s schedule
- Professional’s schedule
- Deliverables
- Seasonal
Budget

- Size & scope of project
- Available resources
- Location/travel
- Client’s schedule (rush, rush!)
- Deliverables

Plano Downtown Commercial District
Archeological Surveys

The THC has guidelines to determine how many shovel tests or trenches are needed. This affects budgets and schedules as does travel and associated costs.

Courtesy AR Consultants, Inc.
How to find consultants

- **Professional Organizations** [https://www.nps.gov/history/local-law/gis/html/professional_organizations.html](https://www.nps.gov/history/local-law/gis/html/professional_organizations.html)
- **Texas Society of Architects** [https://texasarchitects.org/wordpress/discover-the-profession/](https://texasarchitects.org/wordpress/discover-the-profession/) or contact your local AIA chapter
- **THC** has a list of county courthouses that have been restored [www.thc.preserve/projects/projects/texas-historic-courthouse-preservation](http://www.thc.preserve/projects/projects/texas-historic-courthouse-preservation)
- **THC** has a list of county courthouse master plans that have been approved and rejected with the name of the consultant [www.thc.texas.gov/public/upload/preserve/courthouses/files/thcpp-accepted-rejected-master-plans-jan-2016.pdf](http://www.thc.texas.gov/public/upload/preserve/courthouses/files/thcpp-accepted-rejected-master-plans-jan-2016.pdf)
- **THC** has list of survey projects funded through the Certified Local Government program that lists consultants [www.thc.texas.gov/public/upload/preserve/survey/survey/CLG%20funded%20survey%20grants.pdf](http://www.thc.texas.gov/public/upload/preserve/survey/survey/CLG%20funded%20survey%20grants.pdf)
- **Council of Texas Archeologists** has a list of archeological contractors [counciloftexasarcheologists.org/?page_id=5](http://counciloftexasarcheologists.org/?page_id=5)
THC’s National Register program highlights listed properties, look for nominations prepared by consultants [www.thc.texas.gov/national-register-previously-highlighted-listings](http://www.thc.texas.gov/national-register-previously-highlighted-listings). Can also find NR nominations through the THC’s Atlas at [https://atlas.thc.state.tx.us](https://atlas.thc.state.tx.us)

Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office has a list of consultants for National Register nominations, survey (including archeological), and planning (not just Oklahoma consultants) [www.okhistory.org/shpo/shpoconsultants.html](http://www.okhistory.org/shpo/shpoconsultants.html)

Foundation of the American Institute for Conservation [www.cool.conservation-us.org](http://www.cool.conservation-us.org)

Ask!