

Become an ORION Affiliate

The ORION **Affiliate** program is about **people connectivity**

The Ontario Research and Innovation Optical Network (ORION) Affiliate Program allows public and private sector organizations to join a broad community that shares similar goals in supporting research, education and innovation in Ontario.

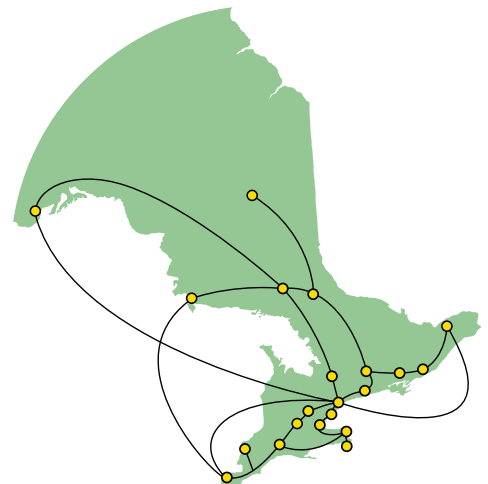


Reach out to **innovators** and researchers

Driving research and education innovation, ORION is Ontario's ultra high-speed fibre optic network connecting research and education institutions to one another, and with CANARIE - Canada's advanced research and innovation network - to partners and colleagues throughout Canada and around the world. Stretching 5,800 kilometres over 21 communities, ORION connects all of Ontario's universities, most colleges, several medical and other public research facilities, and a growing number of cultural facilities and school boards to one another and to the global grid of research and education networks.

Become part of a **network** of **partners** and collaborators

As an ORION Affiliate, your organization becomes part of a network of organizations that share similar goals in supporting and contributing to success in innovation, research and education, providing a forum for ORION, its connected institutions and other Affiliates to come together to create communities that lead to innovation. This is a valuable networking opportunity to connect with over 125,000 researchers, faculty, and staff from some 90 institutions, including CIOs, IT directors, network managers, scientists, educators, as well ORION's extended research and education community, including regional, national and international partner organizations and networks, government and funding agencies, and business and innovation leaders.



Contact us to learn more ...

www.orion.on.ca/affiliates

Who can join

Organizations or companies in the information technology and/or research and education fields (including those not eligible to connect to ORION).

Vendors, suppliers and service providers may wish to become an ORION Affiliate as a marketing opportunity to reach potential new clients or partners.

Some organizations or companies may wish to become an ORION Affiliate to publicly signal their support of ORION and its user organizations.



Innovation happens everywhere and flourishes when individuals or groups from institutions, government, associations and business have the opportunity to engage in conversation and work together.

ORION is the catalyst to make this happen.



Benefits

Reach a targeted community

- Exposure with ORION user institutions, representing over 125,000 researchers, educators, faculty, staff, and over 1.6 million K-20 students;
- Chance to raise awareness, enhance brand recognition and showcase products or services that support research and education;
- Opportunity to build partnerships through events and other networking services;
- A presence on the ORION Affiliate web portal;
- Public profile in ORION announcements, newsletters and promotional outreach;
- ORION Affiliate branding on your organization's promotion and marketing materials.

Participate in exclusive events

- Opportunity to participate in new ORION Affiliate Showcase and Networking Event;
- Invitations to networking opportunities at ORION workshops and information sessions;
- One complimentary registration to the annual ORION Summit.

Access unique services

- Chance to access exclusive services, such as O3 Collaboration, which allows users to discover and share knowledge with Ontario's research and education community.

Discounts

- 10% discount on additional 5 registrations to the annual ORION Summit;
- 10% discount on sponsorship of O3 Collaboration and future services.

Contribution

ORION is owned and operated by the Optical Regional Advanced Network of Ontario, a not-for-profit organization. The ORION Affiliate member contribution of \$1,299 a year helps defray program costs and support ORION's awareness, outreach, and research and education community networking activities.

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