Ontario Cybersecurity Higher Education Consortium (ON-CHEC)

The Higher Education Cybersecurity Challenge

Ontario's research and education institutions are challenged to address security risks.

- Lack of available cybersecurity talent
- Skyrocketing cybersecurity salaries
- Limited budgets
- Organizational challenges
- · Existing security team caught up in day-to-day issues
- Increasing cyberthreats posing risks to business continuity, and data privacy

What is ON-CHEC?

Ontario Cybersecurity Higher Education Consortium (ON-CHEC) is a consortium of Ontario colleges and universities, supported by ORION, who together bring cost-effective cybersecurity guidance, programs, and services to raise their collective cybersecurity posture.

Key benefits of ON-CHEC

- Expert security advice on critical cybersecurity issues, security strategy, program management and security governance
- Enhances cybersecurity teams through expert guidance, shared frameworks, as well as knowledge management and continuity
- Members are active participants, leveraging the expertise of the group to solve cybersecurity challenges together, while building much-needed skills within member organizations
- Participation in the development of security guidelines and frameworks for Higher Education, through workshops and forums
- Access to security self-assessment scoping, tools and reporting to provide benchmarking for higher education
- Tailored support and guidance to establish institution's security road map and program reflecting best practices and alignment with organizational objectives
- Tiered membership levels with scaled support options, that align with diverse budgets, allowing even those with smaller budgets to participate and contribute to a successful security program

Working together with our community, we strengthen our individual and collective cybersecurity postures across Ontario's Higher Education sector.

Contact us

Speak with our community development team to discuss membership rates: 416.507.9860 or communitydev@orion.on.ca

