

## Order of Ontario 2025

### Sponsor

Government of Ontario

### Description

The Order of Ontario is the province's highest honour. It is reserved for Ontarians from all fields of endeavour and backgrounds, whose excellence has left a lasting legacy in the province, Canada and beyond. Members of the Order are a collective of Ontario's finest citizens, whose contributions have shaped — and continue to shape — the province's history and place in Canada.

Upon admission, members of the Order of Ontario are invested with the Order's insignia (a distinguishing mark or emblem worn to signify membership or achievement) by the Lieutenant Governor as the Queen's representative. Appointees are given the post-nominal letters, also called post-nominal initials or post-nominal titles (letters placed after a person's name) to indicate the honour held by the individual.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for the Order of Ontario, a nominee must be:

- a long-term or former resident of Ontario (the nominee does not need to be a Canadian citizen)
- someone whose career, in any field, has had a major impact or influence on the province, Canada or abroad

You cannot nominate:

- yourself
- someone who is deceased
- an elected federal, provincial or municipal representative while they are in office
- a sitting judge of any court
- one of Ontario's Legislative Officers while in office (Auditor General, Ombudsman, Information and Privacy Commissioner, Financial Accountability Officer, Integrity Commissioner, Chief Electoral Officer)
- a volunteer

- someone for acts of bravery

## Prize

The members' official portraits are taken and they are invested with the Order of Ontario insignia. The insignia is in the form of the Ontario trillium (the official provincial flower) and includes the shield and crown.

## Deadlines

**If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.**

Type	Date	Notes
<b>External Deadline</b>	Monday, March 31, 2025 - 4:30pm	Please submit the nomination directly to the <a href="#">Order of Ontario web page</a> or by mail, by the external deadline. Please also submit a copy of the full nomination to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> by the external deadline.

## How to Apply

Applications may be submitted online, using the application form provided on the [Order of Ontario web page](#) by the external deadline.

Please also submit a copy of the nomination to [research.services@uoguelph.ca](mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca) by the external deadline.

## For More Information

For more information, contact [ailsakay@uoguelph.ca](mailto:ailsakay@uoguelph.ca) or see the [Order of Ontario website](#).

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