

Order of Canada 2024

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Description

The **Order of Canada** is how our country honours people who make extraordinary contributions to the nation.

Since its creation in 1967 (Canada's centennial year), more than 7,000 people from all sectors of society have been invested into the Order. The contributions of these trailblazers are varied, yet they have all enriched the lives of others and made a difference to this country. Their grit and passion inspire us, teach us and show us the way forward. They exemplify the Order's motto: DESIDERANTES MELIOREM PATRIAM ("They desire a better country").

Eligibility

The Order of Canada recognizes people in all sectors of society. You can nominate:

- Any living Canadian for admission into the Order. Living non-Canadians are also eligible if their contributions have brought benefit or honour to Canadians or to Canada.
- The Order of Canada is awarded to individuals only, not to groups or couples. Please submit a separate nomination for each member of a group you wish to nominate and in the reasons for nomination please explain in what way the contributions of your candidates are related.
- Non-Canadians who have made an extraordinary contribution to Canadian life.
- An existing member of the Order to be promoted to a higher level within the Order. Promotions are only considered five years after the initial appointment.
- A candidate who has been previously considered but not appointed to the Order of Canada. Usually, a new nomination can be submitted five years after the last one was made. Contact Order of Canada if you think this applies to your candidate.
- Please do not notify the candidate about the nomination or initiate a letter-writing campaign.

Prize

This prestigious award is an Order of Canada insignia, which is a stylized snowflake of six points, with a red annulus at its centre bearing a stylized maple leaf circumscribed with the

motto of the Order: DESIDERANTES MELIOREM PATRIAM—Latin for “They desire a better country.” The annulus is surmounted by the Royal Crown.

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
External Deadline	Sunday, December 31, 2023 - 11:59pm	Please submit the nomination directly to the Order of Canada website by the external deadline. Please also submit a copy of the nomination to research.services@uoguelph.ca by the external deadline. The Order of Canada has an ongoing submission deadline. A nomination may be submitted for consideration at any time throughout the year.

How to Apply

Why not nominate someone today? Anyone can do it.

1. Think of an eligible candidate and tell the Advisory Council for the Order of Canada why they deserve to be appointed to the Order of Canada. Prepare examples of how they have demonstrated outstanding qualities.
2. Gather your candidate’s contact information and curriculum vitae (if available).
3. Gather the names and contact information of three references familiar with your candidate’s accomplishments.

Additional nomination information may be found on the [Order of Canada website](#).

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For More Information

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