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ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF CERTIFIED ENGINEERING TECHNICIANS AND TECHNOLOGISTS

WHO WE ARE



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OACETT represents 21,000 MEMBERS in 15 DISCIPLINES

of engineering technology and applied science, working for **OVER 5,000 COMPANIES** across Ontario.

Members' education and work experience have been evaluated to ensure they meet national standards, are bound by a code of ethics, pass a professional practice exam, meet language competency, and are required to complete continuing professional development to maintain certification and stay relevant with current industry best practices.





OACETT is a self-governing regulatory body and professional association that promotes the interests of engineering and applied science technicians and technologists in industry, educational institutes, the government, and the public.

OACETT CERTIFICATIONS

We are Ontario's independent certification body for engineering and applied science technicians and technologists.

Our members hold one of the following certifications:

- » C.Tech. (Certified Technician)
- » C.E.T. (Certified Engineering Technologist)
- » A.Sc.T. (Applied Science Technologist) —no longer awarded

Members may also earn one of the following specialized designations in road construction:

- » rcji (road construction junior inspector)
- » rcsi (road construction senior inspector)
- » rcca (road construction contract administrator)

Certified members who are qualified to work on municipal infrastructure projects can earn one of two municipal infrastructure designations:

- » mii (municipal infrastructure inspector)
- » mica (municipal infrastructure contract administrator)

JOIN OACETT

Build your Career Through certifying with OACETT you earn the right to use one of our protected titles:

- » C.Tech. (Certified Technician)
- » **C.E.T.** (Certified Engineering Technologist)



CEC OACETT certifications are

recognized as one of the **top five** most valuable engineering certifications to have in 2020.

~ Randstad Canada

OACETT CERTIFIES engineering and applied science technicians and technologists and has done so since 1984.

OACETT ADVOCATES to the government to ensure that engineering technicians and technologists are recognized in appropriate legislation.

OACETT SUPPORTS all members, both internationally educated and Canadian-educated, along their career paths through our certification, continuing professional development (CPD), volunteer opportunities, the Canadian Technology Engineering Network (CTEN) job board, and our many affinity partner discount programs.

OACETT PROMOTES AWARENESS of the profession through our 360 corporate partnership program and by informing employers, colleges, and industry about the many advantages of OACETT certified professionals.

BENEFITS OF BECOMING AN OACETT MEMBER:

JOB BOARD

Exclusive access to the Canadian Technology Employment Network (CTEN) job board and the career resource centre.



NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Many opportunities to network with like-minded professionals at the local chapter level, at the OACETT conference and other events, or by volunteering.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Develop your leadership skills and grow your resume by volunteering with your local chapter on task forces, committees or the OACETT board.

CAREER GROWTH

Assistance along the career path from student to associate to certified membership with lifelong

learning and mentorship opportunities.



COMPETITIVE SALARY

OACETT Certified Technicians (C.Tech.) and Certified Engineering Technologists (C.E.T.) earn, on average, \$16,000 more than non-certified professionals.*

INCREASED EMPLOYABILITY

71% of employers surveyed recognized OACETT membership and certification.*



DISCOUNTS

Special member rates on hundreds of businesses and services, from insurance to select attractions, continuing professional development courses and certificates, and much more.

SHOWCASE YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS

Through OACETT's Awards, open to members, non-members and companies.



MUCH MORE

Such as access to OACETT's salary survey results, where you can compare industry salaries and incentives, a complimentary subscription to *The Ontario Technologist* magazine, and the ability to transfer your certification across Canada.

*Based on a survey conducted by Environics Research.

OACETT RECOGNIZED DISCIPLINES*

Bio-science Building Chemical Civil Computer Electrical Electronics Environmental Geological Geomatics Industrial Instrumentation Mechanical Mining Resources

*You must register with one of these disciplines when applying for membership.

BECOME CERTIFIED

The Road to Certification

FOLLOW THE ROAD TO CERTIFICATION TODAY

Holding an OACETT certification is a mark of professional achievement that shows dedication to your career and profession and helps you gain employment, earn promotions, and ultimately make more money.

Complete the steps toward earning your certification!

BEGIN YOUR JOURNEY TO CERTIFICATION

- » Certified Technician (C.Tech.) applicants must be a graduate of a two-year post-secondary engineering technician or applied science diploma program or equivalent.
- » Certified Engineering Technologists (C.E.T.) applicants must be a graduate of a three-year post-secondary engineering technology or applied science diploma/degree program or equivalent.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

STUDENT

Currently enrolled in an engineering technology or applied science program working towards diploma/degree.

C.Tech.

Met the requirements to hold the title Certified Technician.

ASSOCIATE

Completed education and working towards certification.

C.E.T.

Met the requirements to hold the title Certified Engineering Technologist.

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- » Minimum 18 years old and of good character.
- Graduation from a two-or three-year Ontario post-secondary engineering technology or applied science program or equivalent.
- » Minimum of two years of appropriate experience in Canada or abroad after graduation (technician or technologist). Experience with co-ops, internships, or other similar programs can be counted towards the two-year minimum. Up to one year of co-op or internship experience in an engineering technology or applied science program may be credited if:
 - > You attended a nationally accredited college program, or
 - Your supervisor during the co-op placement was a certified member of OACETT or a licensed professional such as a P.Eng., OAA, P.GEO, or AOLS.
- Internationally educated applicants who did not graduate from a Canadian postsecondary engineering technology or applied science program, minimum one-year duration, or who did not graduate from an equivalent program in select countries must show proof of English language proficiency equivalent to a level 7 on the Canadian Language Benchmark for all skills.
 *See the OACETT website for more details.
- » Successful completion of OACETT's Professional Practice Exam (PPE) or Internationally Educated Professional Practice Exam (IEPPE).
 *See page 7 for more information.
- » Successful completion of a Technology Proposal and Report
 – ONLY required for C.E.T.
 *See page 7 for more information.

HOW TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION?

- Visit www.oacett.org and click "Join." Create your profile on our Member Portal and select the appropriate application form and submit the application fee.
 Please note: application fees for internationally educated professionals may be waived if your initial landing in Canada is less than one year.
- » Send in the following documentation:
 - Proof of legal name with documents like Canadian passport or birth certificate, Canadian Permanent Resident Card, Canadian Citizenship Card, or Work or Study Permit and identification page of international passport.
 *See the OACETT website for more details.
 - An official transcript of your subjects and marks sent directly from your post-secondary institute.
 - > Up-to-date detailed resume listing your work experience.
 - Job description or description related to technician or technologist work experience.
 *See previous section "Certification requirements" for more details.
 - > The names and email addresses of at least three professionals (one should be a current or past supervisor) who are familiar with your work experience. OACETT will email these persons a confidential, professional reference questionnaire.
 - Internationally educated professionals must show proof of English language proficiency equivalent to a Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) Level 7 for all skills (listening, reading, writing, and speaking).
 *See the OACETT website for more details.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR STUDENT MEMBERSHIP?

Visit **www.oacett.org** and click **"Join."** Create your profile on our Member Portal and select the student application form.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXAM / INTERNATIONALLY EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXAM

All applicants for C.Tech. or C.E.T. certification must pass either the Professional Practice Exam (PPE) or the Internationally Educated Professional Practice Exam (IEPPE) to ensure awareness of your legal and ethical responsibilities to the public, employers, and themselves. Writing the PPE/IEPPE enables you to meet the high professional standards set by OACETT in the areas of law, ethics , and professional practice.

The PPE/IEPPE are online, on demand, multiple choice exams written with a live online proctor. The exams are self-study and are based on:

- > Canadian civil law
- > OACETT Act
- > Bylaw 20
- OACETT's Code of Ethics and Rules of Professional Conduct
- Regulatory and Professional Practice Committee Terms of Reference

The PPE is 3 hours long and has three sections: Law, Ethics, and Practice.

The IEPPE is 3.5 hours long and has four parts: Law, Ethics, Practice, and Enhanced Practice.

Optional online seminars are available for both the PPE and the IEPPE. *See the OACETT website for more details.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT (C.E.T. APPLICANTS ONLY)

The Technology Report (TR) is a requirement for all members seeking certification as a Certified Engineering Technologist (C.E.T.). An exception is made for graduates from nationally accredited programs who have already met this requirement in their program.

You will be asked to submit a proposal which will be reviewed for its suitability. Upon approval, you will be asked to prepare your Technology Report and submit the final work for review.

An optional online workshop, crash course, and self-study seminar are available and focus on all aspects of technology report writing, from topic selection to proposal writing and helpful hints for submitting a successful report.



NEW APPLICANTS FAQ Certification Answers

I'M NOT SURE WHAT DISCIPLINE I SHOULD APPLY FOR. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Your discipline of registration is related to your post-secondary academic program.

You can check OACETT's accepted registration disciplines listed on **page 4** or contact us at **certify@oacett.org**

If you have significant experience in a discipline other than your academics, the Admissions Committee will take this into account when choosing the most appropriate discipline for you to achieve certification when your file is reviewed.

I HAVE RECEIVED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MY APPLICATION. NOW WHAT?

You can begin to track the status of your application by logging into the Member Portal, which is accessible from the OACETT website.

As soon as all your documents and reference questionnaires have been received, your file is moved forward to the Admissions Committee.

Once the Admissions Committee has reviewed your file, outstanding requirements for certification will show in your OACETT portal account.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST ME TO GET CERTIFIED?

You are required to pay an application fee plus your annual membership dues as well as the costs for the PPE/IEPPE.

Please note: application fees may be waived if your initial landing in Canada is less than one year. *See the OACETT website for more details.

I APPLIED TO BE CERTIFIED AS A TECHNICIAN OR TECHNOLOGIST. WHY WAS I ACCEPTED AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER?

At the time of application, OACETT registers those who are eligible for membership as Associates while they work towards certification.

I APPLIED FOR C.E.T. BUT WAS AWARDED C.Tech.

For all who apply for C.E.T., you will first be certified as a C.Tech. once you pass the PPE/IEPPE and meet the minimum certification requirements. After you become a C.Tech. and complete the outstanding experience requirements and/or the Technology Report, you will be awarded C.E.T.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE OACETT TO REVIEW MY FILE?

The initial review, to ensure that you meet our minimum certification requirements, takes two weeks.

The complete file review takes approximately 16 weeks once we have received all necessary documents.

WHICH PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXAM SHOULD I WRITE?

If you are currently enrolled in an Ontario post-secondary engineering technology of applied science program, then you should write the Student PPE.

If you have completed your academics and have now completed at least one year of experience in the engineering technology or applied science sector in Canada, then you should write the PPE. If your academics are completed, but your only experience is internationally completed, and you have not yet completed one year of experience in Canada, then you should write the IEPPE.

DO I NEED TO HAVE TWO YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN THE SAME COMPANY OR CAN I USE MY EXPERIENCE IN PREVIOUS JOBS?

Experience can be accumulated with one or more employers.

OACETT also grants credit towards the two-year experience requirement for co-op, or intern experience gained while a student in an engineering technology or applied science program.

Up to one full year experience may be credited if you attended or are attending a nationally accredited program, or if your supervisor during the co-op placement is a certified member of OACETT or a licensed professional such as a P.Eng., OAA, P.Geo., or OLS. Co-op work experience that does not fall into either of these two categories, is recognized at 50 per cent of the time worked, up to a maximum of six months. In any case, co-op experience can significantly reduce the experience requirement after graduation.

DOES MY WORK EXPERIENCE FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY COUNT?

Yes, as long as your work experience is in a related field and at the level of a technician or technologist,

DO I NEED TO PROVIDE PROOF OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY?

Internationally educated applicants who did not graduate from a Canadian post-secondary engineering technology or applied science program, minimum one-year duration, or who did not graduate from an equivalent program in select countries, must show proof of English language proficiency equivalent to a level 7 on the Canadian Language Benchmark for all listening, reading, writing and speaking.

Recognized tests include: IELTS, TOEFL iBT, CAEL, PTE, CELPIP, TEF-Canada, TCF- Canada.

You are required to send in your original or notarized copy of your official results with your application as soon as achieved.

Certification will not be granted without the results, which can be no more than two years old. *See the OACETT website for the scores required.



MEMBER TESTIMONIALS

"Joining OACETT has been an instrumental step in providing me with valuable networking opportunities, continuous professional growth, and a supportive community of like-minded professionals."

NEHA SHARMA, Associate member

Electrical Technician, Elixcon Energy OACETT member since 2023

"In my 25 plus years of experience, I can truly testify that having OACETT certification enhances your credibility within the engineering [technology] profession."

REMO (RAY) BONIN

Director of Construction Services – Associate HATCH Infrastructure Water Group OACETT member since 1991

"OACETT has provided me with professional validation, career advancement, and industry connections with tremendous people to overall showcase my continuous drive for success."

MLADEN IVANKOVICH, C.E.T.

Engineering Services Technician, Burlington Hydro OACETT member since 2019

"OACETT has been instrumental in my career success because it provides so many great tools for being job competitive, networking and knowledge increase. It's amazing to be involved with a highly renowned organization."

AHMED MUAWIYAH, C.TECH.

VP - Project/Portfolio Manager, Hexonine Games OACETT member since 2022 "I joined OACETT because I wanted to make more contacts in my field. Being at OACETT showed me how valuable my skills are and that I didnt have to wait to get the career I wanted."

ALBERT JANSEN, C.E.T.

Manager, Quality Systems and Processes, CSA Group OACETT member since 2015

"OACETT membership is indispensable for me; it not only provides unparalleled opportunities for professional development but also connects me with a vibrant community of like-minded technologists, amplifying my impact and staying power in the ever-evolving technological landscape."

LEWIS MALAKA, Associate member OACETT member since 2022

"I feel, joining OACETT is a testament that one has completed the academic and real world experience required to be part of the professional team contributing to the safety and economic viability of the public and maintaining my membership helps me make valuable professional contacts, gain access to a wealth of information and deepen my existing business relationships."

SHERVIN REYHANI, C.E.T.

Truss and Engineered Wood Products Manager Gillis Lumber Inc. (Alpa Lumber Group) OACETT member since 1988

"OACETT membership means pride, accomplishment, [a] sense of belonging and employment opportunities."

JULIUS BODAI, C.E.T.

Retired OACETT member since 1975

"Through networking with like-minded individuals, OACETT accreditation enabled me to expand my networking environment, which ultimately led to professional and financial growth."

PIETER BRUWER, C.E.T.

Project & Quality Assurance Manager, Bell Mobility Radio OACETT member since 2018

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