

KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON CANADA / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** a founding member (4 November 1946).
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** not currently (last term: 2003-2007).
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc. (by year end of mandate):**
 - 2023: Headquarters Committee
 - 2023: Legal Committee (*beginning of the 41st session until the end of 42nd session of the General Conference*)
 - 2021: Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions
 - 2021: Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **Your visits to Canada:** none”
5. **The former Director-General’s visits to Canada:** 7
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
 - H.E. Ms Natasha Cayer, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (since 15 Dec.2020)
 - Ms Nathalie Dault, Deputy Permanent Delegate
 - Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Ms Elaine Ayotte (2015-2020)
7. **Canadian Commission for UNESCO:**
 - Date of establishment: February 1958
 - President: Ms Liette Vasseur (since 2018)
 - Vice-president: Ms Mireille Apollon (since 2018)
 - Secretary-General: Ms Roda Muse (since 2021)
8. **UNESCO Office:** 1
 - UNESCO Institute for Statistics (Montreal)
 - Date of establishment: July 1999
 - Head of Office: Ms Silvia Montoya (D-2, Argentine), since 2014
9. **Canadian personalities linked to UNESCO’s activities:**
 - Ms Kim Phuc Phan Thi, UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador (end of mandate in July 2022)
 - Dr David M. Malone, Rector of the United Nations University (end of second mandate in 2023)
 - Mr Michael Ferguson, UNESCO External Auditor (end of mandate in 2023)
 - Mr Daniel Baril, President of the Board of Trustees of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics
 - Ms Mylène Deschenes, member of UNESCO's International Bioethics Committee (end of mandate in 2023)
10. **UNESCO Chairs:** 28 Chairs and 1 UNITWIN Networks

Chairs

 - 2021: Chaire UNESCO en Ingénierie durable : Technologies solaires appliquées, Polytechnique Montréal
 - 2021: UNESCO Chair on Migration and Francophonie in Minority Contexts: Building Local and Global Inclusive, Innovative and Resilient Societies, the University of Alberta, Edmonton
 - 2020: UNESCO pour la conception et la construction d'écoles solidaires et durables, Université Laval, Québec
 - 2020: UNESCO Chair on Biocultural Diversity and Education, Simon Fraser University
 - 2019: UNESCO Chair on Global Smart Disruptive Learning, TÉLUQ University, Québec
 - 2019: UNESCO Chair on Food, Biodiversity and Sustainability Studies, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo
 - 2018: UNESCO Chair on Biocultural Diversity, Sustainability, Reconciliation, and Renewal, University of Saskatchewan
 - 2018: Chaire UNESCO en transmission culturelle chez les Premiers peuples comme une dynamique de mieux-être et d'empowerment, Université du Québec à Chicoutimi
 - 2017: Chaire UNESCO en prévention de la radicalisation et de l'extrémisme violents, Université de Sherbrooke

- 2016: Chaire UNESCO : dépistage et évaluation du développement des jeunes enfants, Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
- 2016: UNESCO Chair on Island Studies and Sustainability, University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown
- 2016: Chaire UNESCO sur la diversité des expressions culturelles, Université Laval, Québec
- 2016: UNESCO Chair on Democracy, Global Citizenship and Transformative Education, Université du Québec en Outaouais
- 2014: UNESCO Chair for Dialogues on Sustainability, McGill University
- 2014: UNESCO Chair on Community Sustainability: from Local to Global, Brock University
- 2013: UNESCO Chair on Materials and Technologies for Energy Conversion, Saving and Storage, Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique
- 2012: UNESCO Chair in Community-based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education, The University of Victoria and PRIA (India)
- 2011: Chaire UNESCO de Recherche appliquée pour l'éducation en prison, Le Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel Marie-Victorin
- 2010: Chaire UNESCO en analyse intégrée des systèmes marins, Université du Québec à Rimouski
- 2010: UNESCO-COL Chair in Open Educational Resources, Athabasca University
- 2009: Chaire UNESCO de développement curriculaire, Université du Québec à Montréal
- 2008: UNESCO Chair in Early Childhood Care and Development, the University of Victoria
- 2007: UNESCO Chair in Arts and Learning, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario
- 2003: Chaire UNESCO en paysage urbain, Université de Montréal, Montréal
- 1999: Chaire UNESCO d'étude des fondements philosophiques de la justice et de la société démocratique, Université du Québec à Montréal, Montréal
- 1999: UNESCO Chair in Reorienting Education towards Sustainability, York University, Toronto
- 1994: Chaire UNESCO en communication et technologies pour le développement, Université du Québec à Montréal, Montréal
- 1992: Chaire UNESCO en changements environnementaux à l'échelle du globe, Université du Québec à Montréal, Montréal

Network

- 1994: International Network of UNESCO Chairs in Communications (ORBICOM), established in 1994, at the University of Quebec at Montreal, Montréal

11. Associated Schools: 83 institutions

- (1 pre-primary to secondary, 13 primary, 13 primary/secondary, 44 secondary, 3 teacher training institution, 1 vocational and technical, and 8 others).
- Canada joined the ASPnet in 1955.

12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: none

13. UNESCO Clubs: none

14. Biosphere Reserves: 18

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| • Beaver Hills (2016) | • Redberry Lake (2000) |
| • Tsá Tué (2016) | • Clayoquot Sound (2000) |
| • Bras d'Or Lake (2011) | • Niagara Escarpment (1990) |
| • Fundy (2007) | • Charlevoix (1988) |
| • Manicouagan – Uapishka (2007) | • Riding Mountain (1986) |
| • Georgian Bay Littoral (2004) | • Long Point (1986) |
| • Thousand Islands - Frontenac Arch (2002) | • Waterton (1979) |
| • Southwest Nova (2001) | • Mont Saint Hilaire (1978) |
| • Mount Arrowsmith (2000) | |
| • Lac Saint-Pierre (2000) | |

15. UNESCO Global Geoparks Network: 5

- Percé UGGp
- Stonehammer UGGp
- Tumbler Ridge UGGp
- Cliffs of Fundy UGGp

- Discovery UGGp

16. World Heritage List: 20 sites (9 cultural and 10 natural and 1 mixed)

Cultural

- 2013: Red Bay Basque Whaling Station
- 2012: Landscape of Grand Pré
- 2007 : Rideau Canal
- 1995 : Old Town Lunenburg
- 1985 : Historic District of Québec
- 1981: Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump
- 1981: SGang Gwaii (Anthony Island)
- 1978 : L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site

Natural

- 2016: Mistaken Point
- 2008 : Joggins Fossil Cliffs
- 1999 : Miguasha Park
- 1987: Gros Morne National Park
- 1983: Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks - The Burgess Shale Site, previously inscribed on the WHL, is part of the Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks.
- 1983 : Wood Buffalo National Park
- 1979 : Dinosaur Provincial Park
- 1978 : Nahanni National Park

Mixed:

- 2018: Pimachiowin Aki

17. Tentative List: 11 properties

- 2004 : Áisinaïpi
- 2004: Atikaki / Woodland Caribou / Accord First Nations (Pimachiowin Aki)
- 2004 : Gwaii Haanas (2004)
- 2004: Ivavik / Vuntut / Herschel Island (Qikiqtaruk)
- 2004 : The Klondike
- 2004 : Quttinirpaaq
- 2018: Île d'Anticosti
- 2018: Hecate Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound Glass Sponge Reefs Marine Protected Area
- 2018: Qajartalik
- 2018: Sirmilik National Park and Tallurutiup Imanga (proposed) National Marine Conservation Area
- 2018: Stein Valley
- 2018: Wanuskewin
- 2018: Yukon Ice Patches

18. Intangible Heritage Lists: no elements

19. Memory of the World Register: 7 inscriptions

- 2017: Marshall McLuhan: The Archives of the Future
- 2017: Mixed Traces and Memories of the continents - The Sound of the French people of America
- 2017: Philosophical Nachlass of Ludwig Wittgenstein
- 2013: The Discovery of Insulin and its Worldwide Impact
- 2009: Neighbors, animated, directed and produced by Norman McLaren in 1952
- 2007: Hudson's Bay Company Archival records (2007)
- 2007: Quebec Seminary Collection, 1623-1800 (17th-19th centuries)

20. Creative Cities Network: 3

- 2017: Toronto - UNESCO Creative City of Media Arts
- 2014: Québec: UNESCO Creative City of Literature
- 2006: Montréal: UNESCO Creative City of Design

21. Legal instruments: 16 ratified and 24 non-ratified

Date of deposit	Ratified Convention	Type of deposit
13/06/2018	Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region. Lisbon, 11 April 1997.	Ratification
29/11/2005	Protocol to the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 14 May 1954.	Accession
29/11/2005	Second Protocol to the Hague Convention of 1954 for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 26 March 1999.	Accession
29/11/2005	International Convention against Doping in Sport. Paris, 19 October 2005	Acceptance
28/11/2005	Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions. Paris, 20 October 2005	Acceptance
11/12/1998	Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict with Regulations for the Execution of the Convention. The Hague, 14 May 1954.	Accession
04/06/1998	International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations. Rome, 26 October 1961.	Accession
06/03/1990	Convention on the Recognition of Studies, Diplomas and Degrees concerning Higher Education in the States belonging to the Europe Region. Paris, 21 December 1979.	Ratification
08/11/1988	Protocol to amend articles 6 and 7 of the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Regina, Canada, 28 May 1987.	Ratification
02/06/1983	Protocol to amend the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Paris, 3 December 1982.	Signature without reservation as to ratification
15/01/1981	Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Ramsar, 2 February 1971.	Accession
28/03/1978	Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Paris, 14 November 1970.	Acceptance
23/07/1976	Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Paris, 16 November 1972.	Acceptance
10/05/1962	Universal Copyright Convention, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	Ratification
10/05/1962	Protocol 3 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention concerning the effective date of instruments of ratification or acceptance of or accession to that Convention. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	Ratification
04/10/1950	Agreement for Facilitating the International Circulation of Visual and Auditory Materials of an Educational, Scientific and Cultural character with Protocol of Signature and model form of certificate provided for in Article IV of the above-mentioned Agreement. Beirut, 10 December 1948.	Acceptance

22. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2020-2021: none

23. Participation Programme: no requests presented

24. Fellowships: 1 awarded total amount of US\$ 20,000

25. NGOs in Official Partnership with UNESCO:

NGOs with Associate status

- Academic Council On The United Nations System (ACUNS) (2007)
- Agency of Francophonie Universities (AUF) (1997)
- Association Mondiale Des Radiodiffuseurs Communautaires (AMARC) (1991)

NGOs with Consultative status

- Canadian Organization For Development Through Education (CODE) (2009)
- Centre D'Étude Et De Coopération Internationale (CECI) (2003)
- Disabled People's International (DPI)
- Institut International D'Études Administratives De Montréal (IIEAM) (2007)
- Institute Of Cultural Affairs International (ICAI) (2009)
- Inter-American Organization For Higher Education (IOHE) - Organisation Universitaire Interaméricaine (OUI)
- International Association For Educational And Vocational Guidance (IAEVG) – Association Internationale D'orientation Scolaire Et Professionnelle (AIOSP) (1954)

- International Federation Of Coalitions For Cultural Diversity (IFCCD) – Fédération Internationale Des Coalitions Pour La Diversité Culturelle (FICDC) (2009)
- International Network For Cultural Diversity (INCD) - Réseau International Pour La Diversité CULTURELLE (RIDC)
- International Network Of Women Engineers And Scientists (INWES) – Réseau International De Femmes Ingénieurs Et Scientifiques (INWES) (2008)
- North American Broadcasters Association (NANBA) (1998)
- World University Service (WUS) – Entraide Universitaire Mondiale (EUM) (1961)

Foundations and similar institutions

- Fondation Paul Gérin-Lajoie (PGL)
- World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) – Agence Mondiale Antidopage (AMA)

26. Representation within the Secretariat: normally represented

- 15 professional staff in geographical posts (min. 9, max. 15)