



UArctic Assembly Meeting / Inari, Finland / June 2025

## Agenda item: 5.2

### Proposal – Approval of new Arctic Members of UArctic

**Proposal:** The UArctic Membership Committee proposes that the Assembly makes the following decisions:

a) *The Assembly accepts the following applicants as Arctic / Higher Education Institution members of UArctic:*

- **Carleton University**
- **Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique (INRS)**
- **New York University**
- **Norwegian Police University College**
- **St. Francis Xavier University**
- **University of Chicago**
- **University of Ottawa**

b) *The Assembly accepts the following applicants as Arctic / Other members of UArctic:*

- **Department of Sociology, Northern Arizona University**
- **Institute for Circumpolar Health Research (ICHR)**
- **National Institute of Occupational Health (STAMI)**
- **Norwegian Institute for Water Research (NIVA)**

c) *The Assembly confirms the Toyon decision to approve **Antioch University New England** as Arctic / Higher Education Institution member of UArctic.*

d) *The Assembly confirms the Toyon decision to approve **Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth and Resources, University of Manitoba** as Arctic / Other member of UArctic.*

**References:** [UArctic Constitution](#) / Article 3 – Members

[UArctic Bylaws](#) / Sections 2.1 to 2.4 – Membership Structure

[Summary of New Member Applicants 2025](#)

### **Background:**

By the membership application deadline in February 2025, the UArctic International Secretariat received 22 membership applications, including 14 Arctic member and eight Non-Arctic member applications. Two of this year's applications were from former members. One of the applications was deferred to next year.

Following an extensive review, the UArctic Membership committee nominated the following 11 applicants to the category of Arctic Member of UArctic; of which seven are Higher Education Institutions and four are Other Institutions. In addition, two applicants was accepted as Arctic members by Toyon, one as Higher Education



Institution and one as Other Institution. The Toyon decision on these two applicants is now to be confirmed by Assembly.

Below each institutional name is hyperlinked to a copy of the application support letter and member profile received.

**2025 Arctic Member applicants – Higher Education Institutions:**

1. [Carleton University](#), Canada
2. [Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique \(INRS\)](#), Canada
3. [New York University](#), United States
4. [Norwegian Police University College](#), Norway
5. [St. Francis Xavier University](#), Canada
6. [University of Chicago](#), United States
7. [University of Ottawa](#), Canada
  
8. [Antioch University of New England](#), United States (former member)

**2025 Arctic Member applicants – Other Institutions:**

1. [Department of Sociology, Northern Arizona University](#), United States
2. [Institute for Circumpolar Health Research \(ICHR\)](#), Canada
3. [National Institute of Occupational Health \(STAMI\)](#), Norway
4. [Norwegian Institute for Water Research \(NIVA\)](#), Norway
  
5. [Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth and Resources, University of Manitoba](#), Canada (former member)

**Rationale:**

UArctic Bylaws, section 2.1 – UArctic Membership:

*UArctic has two membership categories:*

1. *Arctic Members*
2. *Non-Arctic Members*

*Within each membership category, there are two member types:*

- i. *Higher Education Institutions*
- ii. *Other Organizations*

*Acting on new applications for UArctic membership, the Assembly of UArctic decides on the category and type for each new member, based on recommendations from UArctic's Membership Committee - -.*

UArctic Bylaws, section 2.6 – Resignation and Removal of Members:

*If a former member organization re-applies for membership, Toyon can make an interim decision on their membership. The decision is to be confirmed by the following Assembly meeting.*