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Using the Open Researcher and Contributor ID (ORCID) within the Canada Foundation for Innovation's Awards Management System (CAMS)

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Purpose of this guide

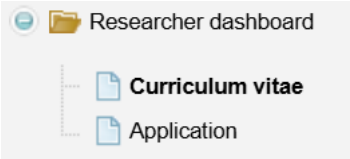
This guide provides researchers with step-by-step instructions for linking their Open Researcher and Contributor ID (ORCID) profile to their Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) Awards Management System (CAMS) profile.

There are two ways you can link your ORCID profile to your CAMS profile:

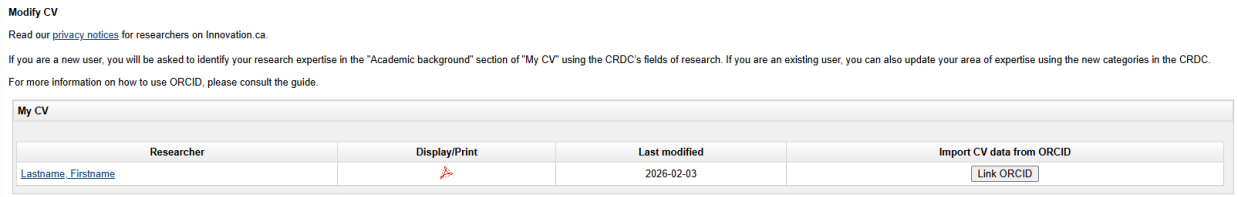
- From your CAMS Curriculum vitae
- Directly from your CAMS profile.

Linking your ORCID profile to your CAMS profile from your CAMS Curriculum vitae

1. Sign into CAMS.
2. Click “Researcher dashboard” on the top left of the screen.
3. Click “Curriculum vitae.”



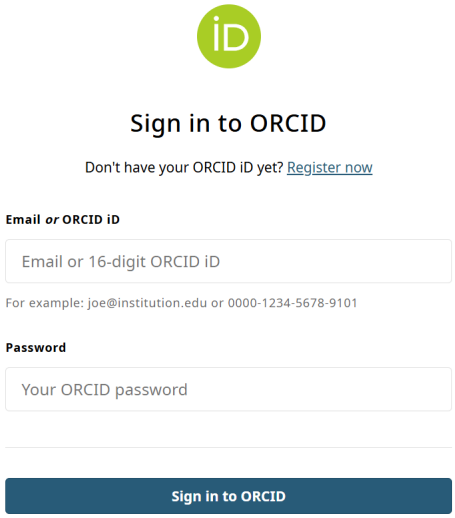
4. Click the “Link ORCID” button.



An ORCID screen will pop up allowing you to start the linking process.

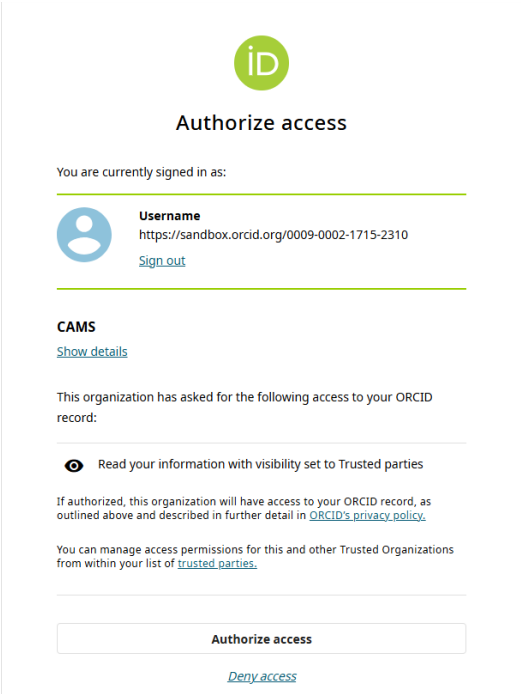
5. Sign in to ORCID or create a new ORCID profile.

You can find help with this process under “For researchers” on the ORCID website.



To create a new ORCID profile, click "Register now" and follow the instructions.

6. Once your ORCID profile is create, from the ORCID website, click "Authorize access" to link your CAMS profile to your ORCID profile. This will allow CAMS and ORCID to talk together.



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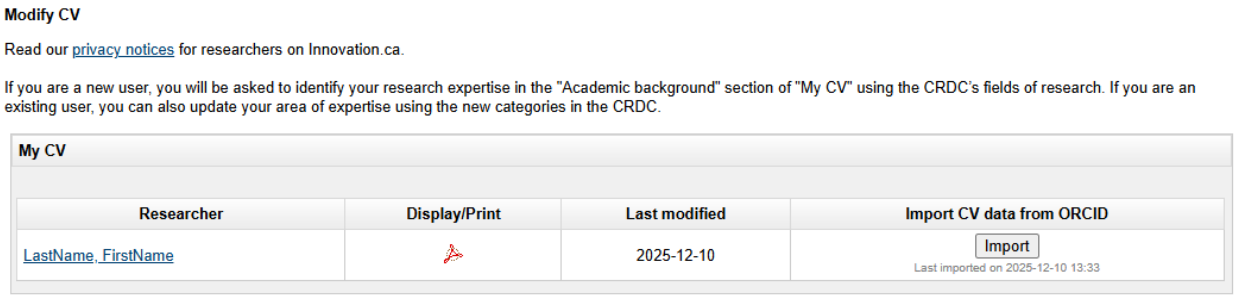

Linking to your ORCID profile directly from your CAMS profile

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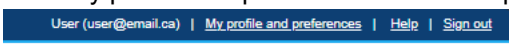
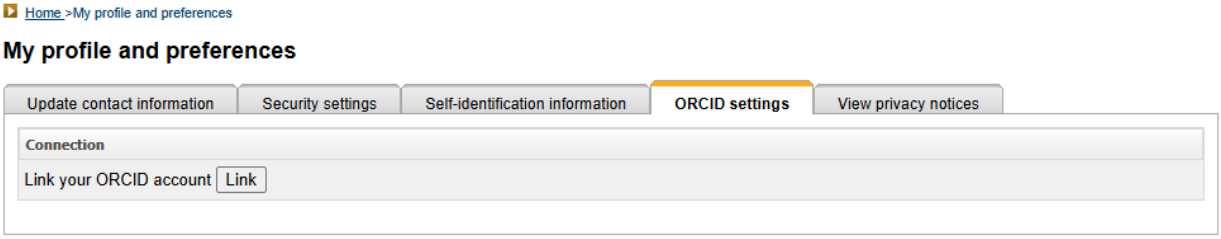
2. Click “My profile and preferences” on the top right of the screen.



3. Click “ORCID settings” tab.



4. Click “Link”.

An ORCID screen will pop up allowing you to start the linking process.

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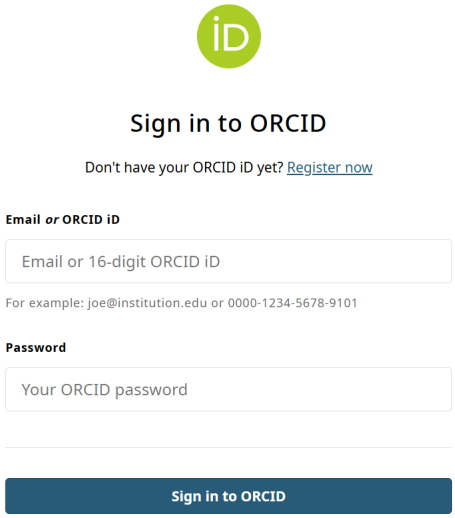
You can find help with this process under “For researchers” on the ORCID website.



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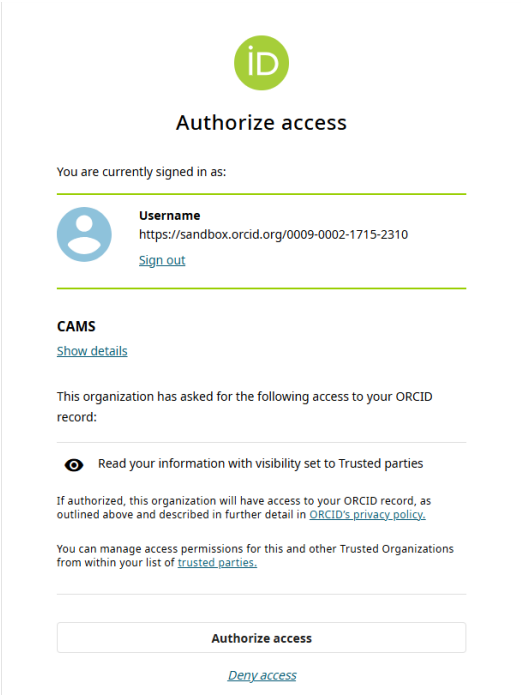

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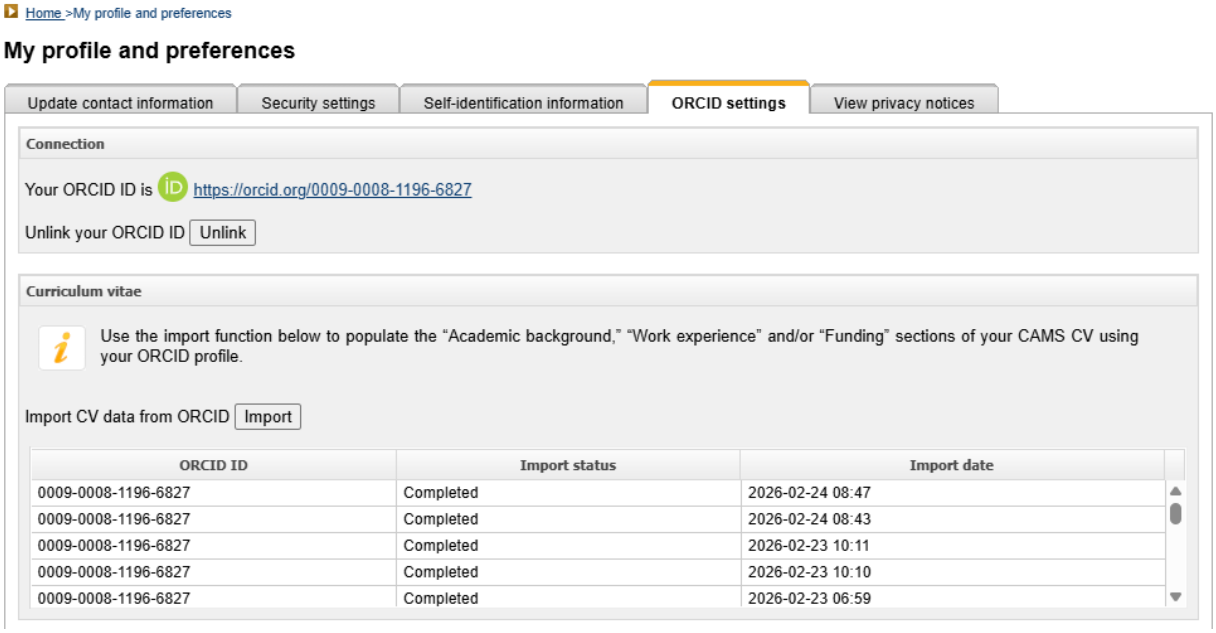


Troubleshooting

Some common problems that may arise when linking your ORCID profile to your CAMS profile are:

- If your ORCID profile is already associated with a CAMS profile, you will not be able to link your ORCID profile to another CAMS profile.
- If your browser is already signed in to ORCID, you will need to sign out of ORCID before linking your ORCID profile to your CAMS profile. You can sign out of ORCID from the top right of the ORCID website.

Importing information from your ORCID profile to your CAMS CV

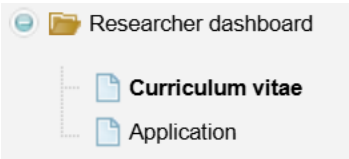
There are two ways you can import from your ORCID profile to your CAMS CV:

- From your CAMS Curriculum vitae
- Directly from your CAMS profile.

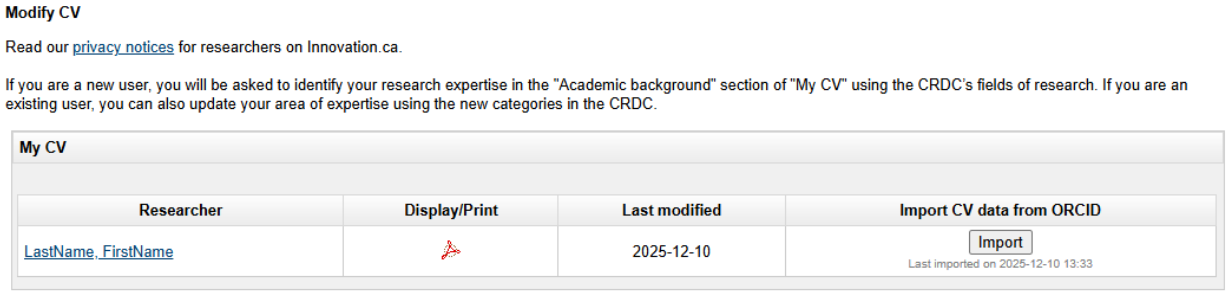
ORCID/CAMS fields do not match perfectly. Be sure to review what has been imported before you submit a notice of intent or application. See Appendix A for details on ORCID – CAMS mapping.

Import your information from your ORCID profile to your CAMS CV from the CAMS CV

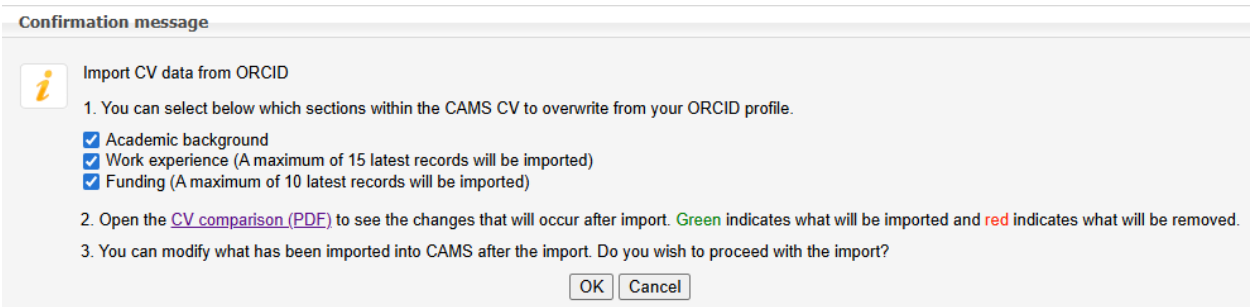
1. Sign into CAMS.
2. Click “Researcher dashboard” on the top left of the screen.
3. Click “Curriculum vitae.”



4. Click “Import”.



5. In the screen that pops up, you can select which section you wish to import.



6. To see what your CV will look like with the changes from ORCID, click the “CV comparison (PDF)” link.

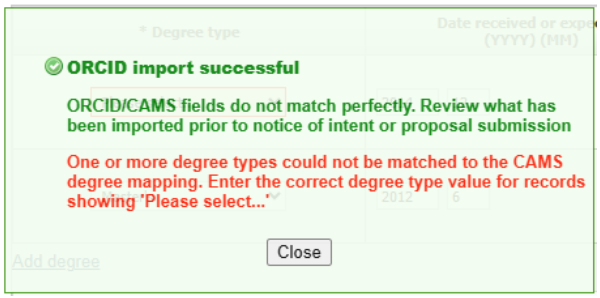
Academic background

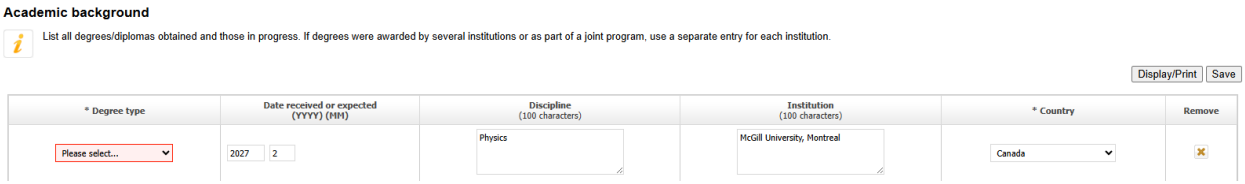
Degree type	Year received or expected	Discipline/Field/Speciality	Institution and country
Bachelor's	2012	Physics	McGill University, Montreal, Canada
Bachelor's	2014	Chemistry	University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada
Bachelor's	2012	Physics	McGill University, Montreal, Canada

This version of the CV shows you your CV as it is now (in red) and how it will look after the import (in green). **Items in green will be added to your CV and items in red will be removed.**

7. Click “Ok” to import your ORCID information into CAMS. CAMS will inform you once the import is completed.

8. For the “Academic background” section, CAMS uses a mapping of possible values to match the “Degree/title” field in the “Education and qualification” section in ORCID to the “Degree type” field in CAMS. If a match is not found, CAMS will import a blank value and “Please select …” is displayed under “Degree type.” If a blank value was imported, you will be required to select from the “Degree type” drop down list.





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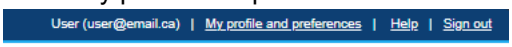
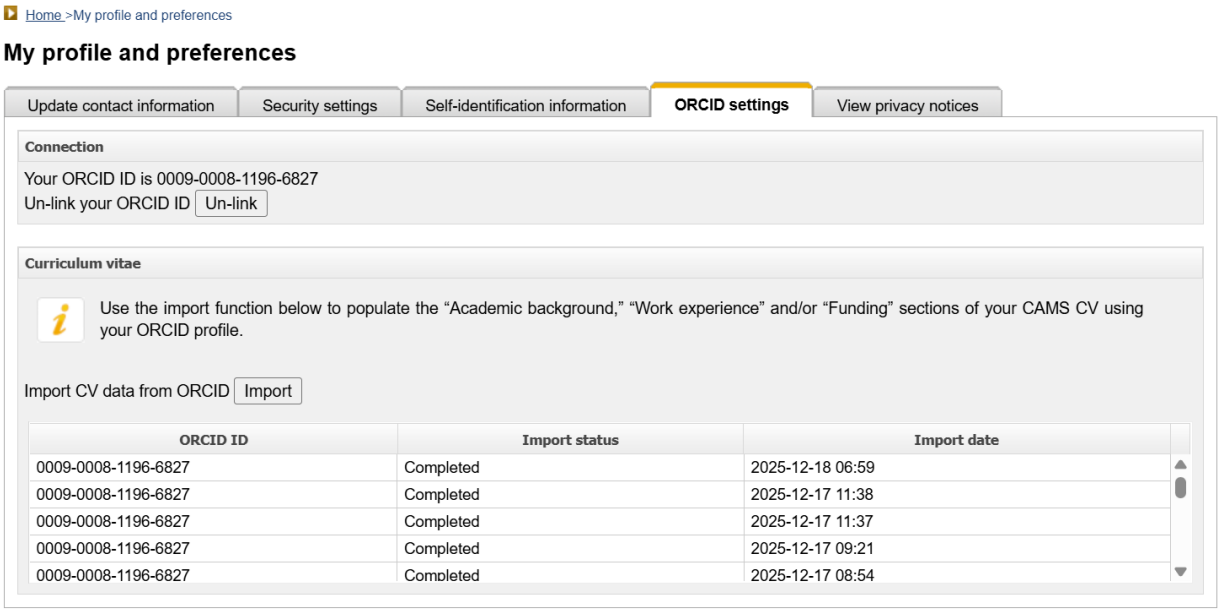


3. Click “ORCID settings” tab.
4. Click “Import.”



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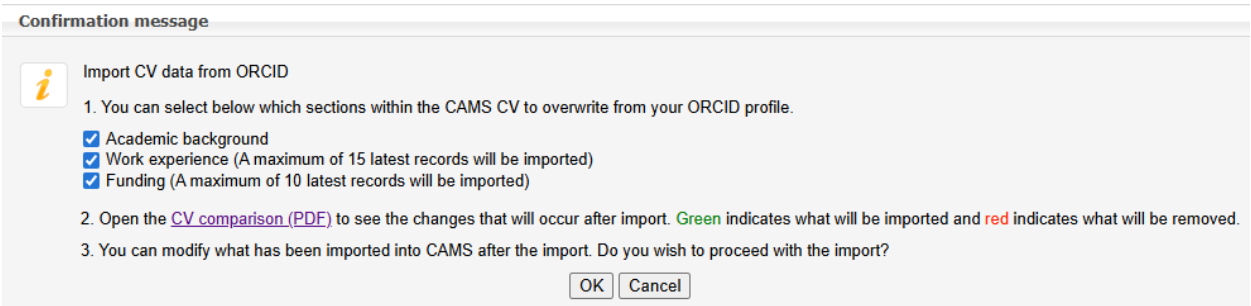

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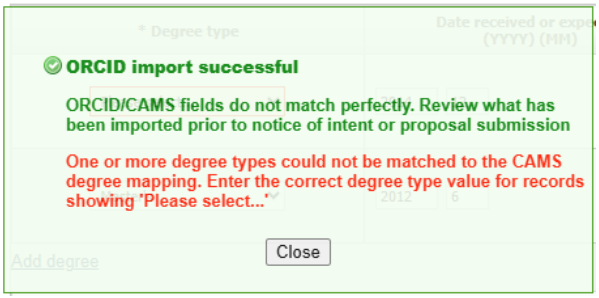
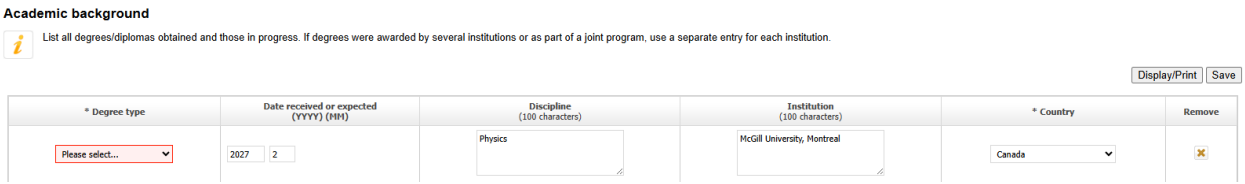




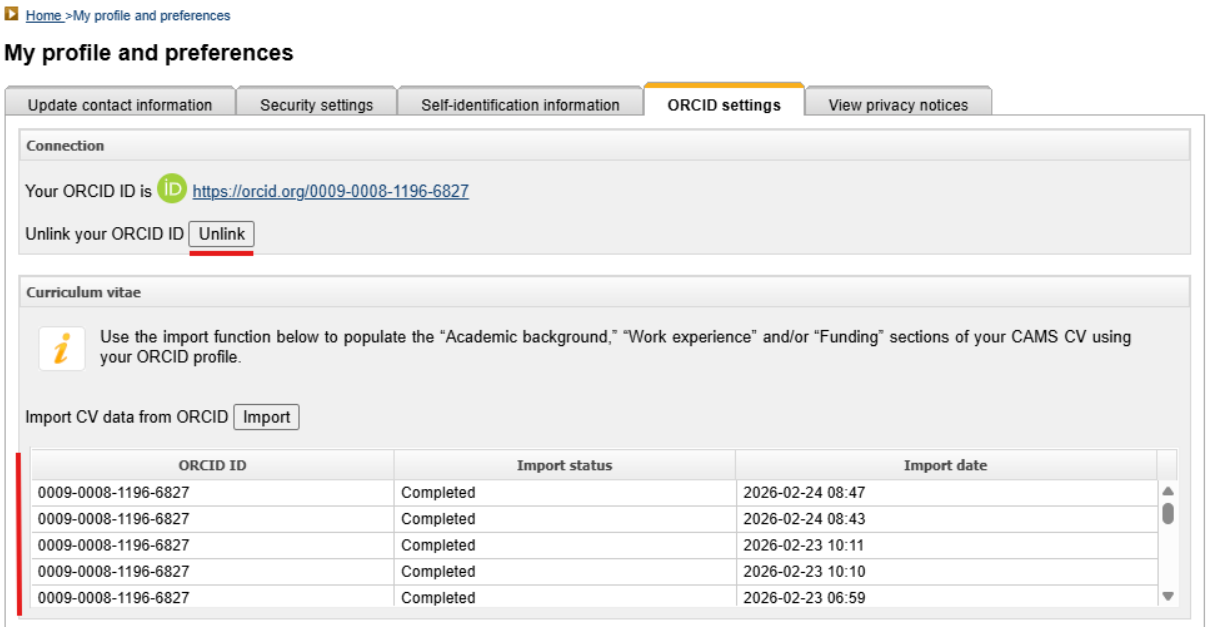
Important import notes

- The fields in ORCID do not match the fields in CAMS perfectly (see Appendix A: Mapping ORCID fields to CAMS fields). Review and correct the imported information before you submit your notice of intent or funding proposal.
- The “Funding” section of the CAMS CV allows for a maximum of 10 (latest) records to be imported and the “Work experience” section allows a maximum of 15 (latest) records to be imported. The “Academic background” section has no limit on the number of records imported.
- Only the “Education” records are imported from the “Education and Qualification” section in ORCID into the CAMS “Academic background” section.
- Records are imported (newest first) based on the “Added” date from ORCID and sorted (newest first) on the screen or PDF in CAMS based on the date associated to the record (e.g., “Academic background” uses “Date received or expected” field to sort).

Managing your CAMS-ORCID integration settings

There are two key features of the ORCID settings screen that will help you manage your CAMS-ORCID integration settings:

- Unlink your ORCID
- A history of your CV imports



Unlinking your ORCID profile from your CAMS profile

1. Sign into CAMS.
2. Click “My profile and preferences” on the top right of the screen.
3. Navigate to the “ORCID settings” tab.
4. Click the “Unlink” button. This will Unlink your CAMS profile from your ORCID profile.
5. Follow the instructions on the ORCID website under “Revoking permission” to revoke the permission to CAMS.

Appendix A – Mapping ORCID fields to CAMS fields

Table 1: Mapping of sections and fields of ORCID to sections and fields of CAMS for importing ORCID data to CAMS

ORCID section	ORCID field/formula	CAMS section	CAMS field
Education and qualifications (Note that qualifications are not imported into CAMS.)	Degree/title (Uses a list of possible values to match Degree/title (ORCID) to Degree type (CAMS) drop down list)	**Academic background**	Degree Type
	End date		Date received or expected (YYYY) (MM)
	Department		Discipline
	Organization		Institution
	Country or location		Country
Employment	Role/title	**Work experience**	Position
	Organization		Organization
	Department		Department/Division
	Start date		Start date
	End date		End date
	Not available		First academic appointment
Funding	Title of funded project	**Funding**	Title of proposal
	Not available		Name of principal applicant / principal investigator
	Funding agency name		Funding source
	Funding subtype		Program name
	If the funding dates are not in the future, then the field "Funding status" is shown as “Awarded”		Funding status
	[Total funding amount]/(Total number of months/12) Note that if [End date] – [Start date] is less than one year then [Total funding amount] is shown instead of the above formula		Average amount per year
	Funding start date		Start date
	Funding end date		End date

Appendix B – Frequently asked questions

Can I link my ORCID profile to more than one CAMS profile?

No, CAMS only allows a one-to-one relationship between ORCID and CAMS profiles.

Does CAMS save more than one version of my CAMS CV?

No, CAMS only saves one version of your CAMS CV. The import from ORCID will overwrite what you had previously written in your CAMS CV, so be if needed, save the previous version in PDF format before you complete the import.

Once I import my ORCID information into the CAMS CV, can I revert the import?

No, there are no backup versions of the CAMS CV available. The import from ORCID will overwrite what you had previously written in your CAMS CV, so be if needed, save the previous version in PDF format before you complete the import.

Will there be further CAMS-ORCID integrations in the future?

Yes, there will be further integration in upcoming CAMS releases. These will include adding CFI awards to an ORCID profile including a Digital Object Identifier (DOI) published by the CFI, as well as the ability to add a credit for having done a CFI review to your ORCID profile.

Does CAMS still integrate with the Canadian Common CV (CCV)?

As of March 31, 2026, CAMS is no longer connected to the CCV.

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