Canadian Access Federation: Trust Assertion Document (TAD)

1. Purpose

A fundamental requirement of Participants in the Canadian Access Federation is that they assert authoritative and accurate identity attributes to resources being accessed, and that Participants receiving an attribute assertion protect it and respect privacy constraints placed on it by the asserting Participant.

To accomplish this practice, CANARIE requires Participants to make available to all other Participants answers to the questions below.

1.1 Canadian Access Federation Requirement

Currently, the community of trust is based on “best effort” and transparency of practice. Each Participant documents, for other Participants, their identity and access management practices, which they can confidently meet. Each Participant should make available to other Participants basic information about their identity management system and resource access management systems registered for use within the Canadian Access Federation. The information would include how supported identity attributes are defined and how attributes are consumed by services.

1.2 Publication

Your responses to these questions must be:

1. submitted to CANARIE to be posted on the CANARIE website; and
2. posted in a readily accessible place on your web site.

You must maintain an up-to-date Trust Assertion Document.
2. Canadian Access Federation Participant Information

2.1.1. Organization name: OCAD University

2.1.2. Information below is accurate as of this date: July 15, 2013

2.2 Identity Management and/or Privacy information

2.2.1. Where can other Canadian Access Federation Participants find additional information about your identity management practices and/or privacy policy regarding personal information?

http://www.ocadu.ca/about_ocad/technology_media/it_services/support/IT_Policies___Guidelines.htm

2.3 Contact information

2.3.1. Please list person(s) or office who can answer questions about the Participant’s identity management system or resource access management policy or practice.

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3. Identity Provider Information

Two criteria for trustworthy attribute assertions by Identity Providers are: (1) that the identity management system be accountable to the organization’s executive or business management, and (2) the system for issuing end-user credentials (e.g., userids/passwords, authentication tokens, etc.) has in place appropriate risk management measures (e.g. security practices, change management controls, audit trails, accountability, etc.).

3.1 Community

3.1.1. As an Identity Provider, how do you define the set of people who are eligible to receive an electronic identity? If exceptions to this definition are allowed, who must approve such an exception?

All faculty, staff, and students are provisioned electronic identities. Other account types are approved by the Human Resources Office in consultation with the Manager, Network & Data Centre Operations. Some affiliate/partner agreements for limited access with specified expiry dates are enabled through IT Services for departmental stakeholders.

3.1.2. What subset of persons registered in your identity management system would you identify as a “Participant” in SAML identity assertions to CAF Service Providers?

We can provide SAML identity assertions via Shibboleth for staff, students and faculty.

3.2 Electronic Identity Credentials

3.2.1. Please describe, in general terms, the administrative process used to establish an electronic identity that results in a record for that person being created in your electronic identity database? Please identify the office(s) of record for this purpose.

In the case of students and faculty, identities are provisioned automatically when the person is associated with a class in our student information system. The Office of the Registrar holds record of these individuals.

Staff accounts are provisioned at the request of our Human Resources department which serves as the office of record. Non-employee/student accounts are created based on authorization through the Human Resources department.

3.2.2. What authentication technologies are used for your electronic identity credentials (e.g., Kerberos, userID/password, PKI, ...) that are relevant to Canadian Access Federation activities? If more than one type of electronic credential is issued, how is it determined who receives which type? If multiple credentials are linked, how is this managed (e.g., anyone with a Kerberos credential also can acquire a PKI token) and audited?

All identities are authenticated with a username and password which is verified using CAS (jasig) single sign-on.

3.2.3. If your electronic identity credentials require the use of a secret password or PIN, and there are circumstances in which that secret would be transmitted across a network without being protected by encryption (e.g., “clear text passwords” are used when
accessing campus services), please identify who in your organization can discuss with any other Participant concerns that this might raise for them:

*All credentials MUST be passed over an encrypted channel (typically using TLS). Any concerns should be communicated to the Manager, Enterprise Architecture & Development*

3.2.4. If you support a “single sign-on” (SSO) or similar campus-wide system to allow a single user authentication action to serve multiple applications, and you will make use of this to authenticate people for CAF Service Providers, please describe the key security aspects of your SSO system including whether session timeouts are enforced by the system, whether user-initiated session termination is supported, and how use with “public access sites” is protected.

- CAS (Jasig) Single Sign-on is utilized on campus by our Shibboleth identity provider.
- Communication with OCAD University’s CAS service must be done using HTTPS (TLS)
- SSO tickets issued by our CAS server are single-use only
- Unused SSO tickets will expire after 10 seconds
- CAS Ticket Granting Tickets (single sign-on session) remain valid for 2 hours unless terminated via user-initiated log-out.
- User-initiated log-out is supported, and utilized across campus

3.2.5. Are your primary electronic identifiers for people, such as “NetID,” eduPersonPrincipalName, or eduPersonTargetedID considered to be unique for all time to the individual to whom they are assigned? If not, what is your policy for re-assignment and what is the interval between such reuse?

*As of September, 2013 OCAD University will no longer be re-issuing usernames within Active Directory which are used for eduPersonPrincipalName assertions.*

3.3 Electronic Identity Database

3.3.1. How is information in your electronic identity database acquired and updated? Are specific offices designated by your administration to perform this function? Are individuals allowed to update their own information on-line?

*Our electronic identity database is Active Directory. Staff information is updated manually by Network & Data Center operations based on information provided by Human Resources. Student and faculty information is synchronized between our student information system and active directory.*
Currently Students, Faculty and Administrative staff may update some attributes, such as passwords or address information.

3.3.2. What information in this database is considered “public information” and would be provided to any interested party?

Staff and faculty name, job title, telephone extension, and e-mail addresses may be considered ‘public information’.

3.4 Uses of Your Electronic Identity Credential System

3.4.1. Please identify typical classes of applications for which your electronic identity credentials are used within your own organization.

All non-public OCAD U services, systems and applications

3.5 Attribute Assertions

Attributes are the information data elements in an attribute assertion you might make to another Canadian Access Federation Participant concerning the identity of a person in your identity management system.

3.5.1. Please describe the reliability of your identity provider attribute assertions?

Our identity provider attribute assertions are based directly from Active Directory records at the time of assertion. These attribute values are sourced from Student and/or Employment records maintained by our Office of the Registrar and Finance office respectively.

3.5.2. Would you consider your attribute assertions to be reliable enough to:

a) control access to on-line information databases licensed to your organization?

Yes

b) be used to purchase goods or services for your organization?

Yes

c) enable access to personal information such as student record information?

Yes
3.6 Privacy Policy

Canadian Access Federation Participants must respect the legal and organizational privacy constraints on attribute information provided by other Participants and use it only for its intended purposes.

3.6.1. What restrictions do you place on the use of attribute information that you might provide to other Canadian Access Federation participants?

*Should only be used for authentication purposes*

3.6.2. What policies govern the use of attribute information that you might release to other Canadian Access Federation participants?

*IT Services: Acceptable Use Policy*


*Privacy & Personal Information Collection*

[http://www.ocadu.ca/Assets/PDF_MEDIA/Privacy+Access+Archives/Collection+notice](http://www.ocadu.ca/Assets/PDF_MEDIA/Privacy+Access+Archives/Collection+notice)

3.6.3. Please provide your privacy policy URL.

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[http://www.ocadu.ca/about_ocad/governance/info_privacy.htm](http://www.ocadu.ca/about_ocad/governance/info_privacy.htm)
4. Service Provider Information

Service Providers, who receive attribute assertions from another Participant, shall respect the other Participant's policies, rules, and standards regarding the protection and use of that data. Such information must be used only for the purposes for which it was provided.

Service Providers are trusted to ask for only the information necessary to make an appropriate access control decision, and to not misuse information provided to them by Identity Providers. Service Providers must describe the basis on which access to resources is managed and their practices with respect to attribute information they receive from other Participants.

4.1 Attributes

4.1.1. What attribute information about an individual do you require in order to manage access to resources you make available to other Participants? Describe separately for each service application that you offer to CAF participants.

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4.1.2. What use do you make of attribute information that you receive in addition to basic access control decisions?

N/A

4.1.3. Do you use attributes to provide a persistent user experience across multiple sessions?

No

4.1.4. Do you aggregate session access records or record specific information accessed based on attribute information.

No

4.1.5. Do you make attribute information available to other services you provide or to partner organizations?

No

4.2 Technical Controls

4.2.1. What human and technical controls are in place on access to and use of attribute information that might refer to only one specific person (i.e., personally identifiable information)? For example, is this information encrypted for storage in your system?

All traffic between OCAD U and the rest of the Eduroam network is encrypted. The only data that is temporarily stored is username@realm value for each user who authenticates.
4.2.2. Describe the human and technical controls that are in place on the management of super-user and other privileged accounts that might have the authority to grant access to personally identifiable information?

Super user removes or enables privileges or access, associated directly with specific services, based on direction from the Office of the Registrar or Human Resources department.

4.2.3. If personally identifiable information is compromised, what actions do you take to notify potentially affected individuals?

Notification: Identify the individuals whose privacy was breached and, barring exceptional circumstances, notify those individuals accordingly:

Notify the individuals whose privacy was breached, by telephone or in writing. Provide details of the extent of the breach and the specifics of the personal information at issue. Advise of the steps that have been taken to address the breach, both immediate and long-term.
5. Other Information

5.1 Technical Standards, Versions and Interoperability

5.1.1. Identify the SAML products you are using. If you are using the open source Internet2 Shibboleth products identify the release that you are using.

Shibboleth 2.2.1-slo10

5.1.2. What operating systems are the implementations on?

Hardened Gentoo Linux

5.1.3. What versions of the SAML protocol (1.1 or 2.0) do you support in your implementations.

SAML 1.1 – Supported by not used
SAML 2.0 – Supported and used

5.2 Other Considerations

5.2.1. Are there any other considerations or information that you wish to make known to other Canadian Access Federation Participants with whom you might interoperate? For example, are there concerns about the use of clear text passwords or responsibilities in case of a security breach involving identity information you may have provided?

N/A