

# AOLS

## *Benefits of Membership*



### BE A PROFESSIONAL

A professional is someone who masters a specialized body of knowledge, typically requiring extensive academic preparation, and applies that knowledge in an ethical manner with a commitment to quality and a dedication to protecting public interests.

### CURRENT BENEFITS

- Recognition as an “Ontario Land Surveyor” and/or “Ontario Land Information Professional” confirms credibility as a professional with employers, clients and the public.
- Belonging to a respected professional organization where members abide by a Code of Ethics and maintain Standards of Practice.
- Meeting and working with like-minded geomatics professionals to influence change within the profession and to provide leadership.
- Opportunities to effect change at all levels of government through advocacy and public awareness activities of the AOLS.
- Access to Continuing Education and Professional Development through seminars and meetings.
- Access to events designed to share industry and technical knowledge and enhance business opportunities.
- Opportunities to liaise with professionals from other provinces and all levels of government to share similar experiences and/or innovation.
- Opportunities to liaise with other industry-related professionals by attending meetings and conferences for professionals.
- Access to Professional Liability Insurance at group rates.
- Opportunities to network with members for business and personal support.
- Mobility of professional credentials between provinces under the terms of a Mutual Recognition Agreement.
- Members and Associate members (Geomatics Technician or Technologist or Articling Student) have access to continuing education courses, special meetings, networking opportunities, Web site restricted access pages, the Annual General Meeting program, library and archived publications.

### FUTURE BENEFITS

The proposed licensing of non-cadastral members, who have been issued Certificates of Registration, is expected to raise the Standards of Practice in all of the survey disciplines, promote international recognition and lead to more networking, continuing education and professional development. This benefit will be of particular value to Geographic Information Managers, Geodesists, Hydrographers, and Photogrammetrists.



**The Association of Ontario Land Surveyors (AOLS)** was incorporated in 1892. It is one of the oldest and most respected self-regulating professional bodies in Ontario. The principal goal of the AOLS is to regulate the practice of professional surveying in Ontario.