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# **VRA CANADA MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

# CONNECT. LEARN. SHARE.

### Online, in person, at your provincial society, and nationally

VRA Canada is driven by the Voices of its membership. That is how we have built a state-of-the-art suite of VRA Benefits that meets the specific needs of members. This suite is continually being refined to stay current with what members want and need today.

## THE BIG PICTURE

### VRA Canada....

- Is dedicated to listening to, supporting, educating, and advocating for its members
- Provides a professional designations program
- Maintains established Standards of Practice
- Maintains a professional Code of Ethics
- Promotes VR professionals with such stakeholders as employers, unions, insurers, students, educators, government bodies, and workers themselves
- Works closely with the College of Vocational Rehabilitation Professionals to streamline CEU approvals
- Works closely with VECAP (Vocational Evaluation and Career Assessment Professionals) to secure reciprocal memberships, with all the associated benefits.

## THE DETAILS

The following suite of VRA Benefits reflects the collective voice of our members to connect, learn and share.

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- Networking opportunities in-person at events, online through the VRA ZoomRoom
- An annual conference (in-person and online) sessions are also approved for CEUs -- meet vendors and other members from across Canada
- Online VRA ZoomRoom sessions both formal (CEUs) and informal chats
- Use VRA's new Slack platform to connect with and talk to like-minded members
- MentorConnect connect with a mentor for either a one-time conversation or on-going discussions either through group meetings in the VRA ZoomRoom or one-on-one online or by phone
- Volunteer to join a committee, or take part in an ad hoc group or join your society board benefits include:
  - earn up to 10 CEUs a year for getting involved
  - o connect with colleagues
  - $\circ$  ~ learn more about the profession, and
  - $\circ$   $\;$  share your time and expertise to support your fellow members.



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### CONNECT. LEARN. SHARE.

- Access to the most current research, information, and training with the VRA Online Learning Academy (OLA)
- Excellent training modules for all VR professionals in all nine domains
- Exceptional preparation material for exams leading to such designations as the CVRP and the RTWDM

   the study guide for CVRP will be available in French later in Spring 2021
- Member discounts and bulk discounts apply to the OLA modules
- Members receive CEUs upon completion of each module
- Free access to the webinars, resource centre, research and publications offered by the Work Wellness Institute (WWi). CEUs will be applied upon completion of approved webinars
- VRA produced webinars that are approved for CEUs.

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- A dedicated Slack platform with issue-specific channels
- VRA ZoomRoom members can meet online to discuss specific topics and share best practices, as well as present case studies to learn and share ideas
- Focus Groups dedicated to student and young members' particular interests and needs
- Regular e-bulletins highlighting all of the up-to-date happenings in the Association and in the VR Profession
- A VRA Timeline detailing the events and lessons learned over the past 50 years (and counting)
- VR Job Board
- Regular Onboarding Sessions to meet other members, share experiences, and learn more about the Association and member benefits.

#### HOT DEALS ON SERVICES AND PERKS!

- Preferred member-rate professional liability insurance, as well as discounted home, auto and travel insurance through ProLink
- A legal hotline for any legal questions members have regarding their business
- Perkopolis -- an affinity program, with hundreds of perks in the categories of Shop, Tickets, and Travel. Save money on things like....
- gym preferred membership rates
- shopping discounts with tech companies for phones, computers
- rental car preferred rates
- office supplies preferred rates.

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