

Core Attribute Specification



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There are no required attributes from the perspective of the Core Schema. It is up to a given protocol or implementation to determine what attributes are required, and how such status is conveyed between participants.

Where attributes are multi-valued, it is up to a given protocol or implementation as to whether multiple values are supported, and how such status is conveyed between participants.

Attribute names containing a slash (/) may be represented "flat" as listed, or "hierarchical" by removing the slash and establishing a suitable representation in the encoding in use. For example, "name/given" could be represented in JSON as

```
{
  "name": {
    "given": "value"
  }
}
```

Multiple values could be represented as

```
{
  "identifiers": [
    {
      "type": "enterprise",
      "value": "E12345678",
    },
    {
      "type": "network",
      "value": "jqs123"
    }
  ]
}
```

Attribute Data Types

- binary
- boolean
- country: ISO 3166-1 two letter country code
- date: YYYY-MM-DD format ([ISO 8601](#))
- dateTerm: A datestamp used to indicate intervals such as a semester, trimester, or quarter. The general format is YYYY-L#, where L is one of H (half year), T (third), or Q (quarter), and # is the sequential number. eg: 2015-H2 designates the second semester of the 2015 academic year (and so might physically be in the year 2016).
- dateTime: YYYY-MM-DDTHH:MM:SSZ format ([ISO 8601](#))
- integer
- locale: LL_CC format (ISO 639-1 two letter language code, an underscore, ISO 3166-1 two letter country code)
- region: [ISO 3166-2](#) subdivision code, not including country prefix (eg: BC not CA-BC)
- string: Strings are case-preserving but not case-sensitive
- extensibleVocabulary: The Core Schema vocabulary should be supported when described values are relevant, however implementations may add to the vocabulary. How supported values are conveyed between participants is outside of the scope of this document. Extended vocabulary must begin with x-.

Case Sensitivity

All attribute names and other elements specified here are case sensitive. eg: `official` and `OFFICIAL` are *not* the same.

Person Core Attributes

| Attribute | Data Type | Definition | Multi-Valued? (Parent Attribute) |
|-------------------|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|
| address | | | Yes (addresses) |
| address/country | country | Country from a postal address | One per parent object |
| address/formatted | string | Address rendered as a single string, possibly with embedded newlines (\n) | One per parent object |

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| address/locality | string | Locality information from a postal address (city, etc) | One per parent object |
| address/language | locale | The language encoding of the address | One per parent object |
| address/postalCode | string | Postal code from a postal address | One per parent object |
| address/region | region | Region information from a postal address (state, province, etc) | One per parent object |
| address/room | string | Room information from a postal address | One per parent object |
| address/ streetAddress | string (multi-line) | Street/site information from a postal address (street name, house number, etc) | One per parent object |
| ⚠ was street | | | |
| address/type | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• campus• home• office• parent• postal• summer• former-<i>anyty</i> <i>pe</i> | The type of the address | One per parent object |
| address/verified | boolean | True if the address has been verified | One per parent object |
| citizenship | country | Country of citizenship of the person | Yes (citizenships) |
| dateOfBirth | date | The date of birth of the person | No |
| emailAddress | | | Yes (emailAddresses) |
| emailAddress/address | string | The email address | One per parent object |
| emailAddress/type | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• delivery• department• department-<i>d</i> <i>eptlabel</i>• forwarding• official• personal• preferred• former-<i>anyty</i> <i>pe</i> | The type of the email address | One per parent object |
| emailAddress/ verified | boolean | True if the address has been verified | One per parent object |
| ethnicity | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• africanAmeri can• alaskaNative• americanIndi an• asian• hispanic• nativeHawaii an• other• pacificIslan der• white | The ethnicity of the person (US Census) | Yes (ethnicities) |
| gender | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• female• male | The gender of the person | No |
| identifier | | | Yes (identifiers) |
| identifier/ identifier | string | The identifier | One per parent object |
| identifier/authority | string | The system or authority that assigns and manages this identifier | One per parent object |


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| identifier/type | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • applicant • badge • badge-barcode • badge-chip • badge-magstripe • enterprise • external • national • network • referenceId • role • role-affiliate • role-alumni • role-employee • role-guest • role-student • sor • sor-affiliate • sor-alumni • sor-employee • sor-guest • sor-student • former-<i>anyty</i> <i>pe</i> | The type of the identifier <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • applicant: Identifier assigned to an applicant (eg: student application registration system) • badge: Identifier as encoded on a badge/physical ID card • badge-barcode: Identifier as encoded on a 1D or 2D barcode printed on a badge • badge-chip: Identifier as stored on a smart chip (contact or NFC) embedded in a badge • badge-magstripe: Identifier as encoded on a magnetic stripe of a badge • enterprise: Persistent identifier used to uniquely identify an individual across the enterprise • external: Identifier assigned by an external (federated) system • national: Government issued identifier (eg: SSN) • network: Identifier used for access to network services (eg: NetID) • referenceId: An ID Match reference identifier • role: Persistent identifier for a given role, used by an individual system of record and/or registry • role-*: Persistent identifier for a given role assigned by the specified system of record • sor: Persistent identifier used by an individual system of record • sor-*: Persistent identifier assigned by the specified system of record | One per parent object |
| identityProof | | | Yes (identityProofs) |
| identityProof/dateOfBirth | date | Date of birth, as confirmed on document | One per parent object |
| identityProof/documentIssuer | string | Name of agency issuing the confirmation document | One per parent object |
| identityProof/documentType | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • driversLicense • national • passport • regional • tribal | Type of document used to confirm identity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • driversLicense: Photo ID used to license drivers • national: ID issued by a national government, other than drivers licenses or passports • passport: Passport, including Passport Cards • regional: ID issued by a regional government (such as states or provinces), other than drivers licenses • tribal: ID issued by a tribal government (such as Native American tribes) | One per parent object |
| identityProof/fullName | string | Full name, as confirmed on document | One per parent object |
| identityProof/status | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • expired • invalid • valid | Status of the identity proofing | One per parent object |
| identityProof/timeVerified | dateTime | Time document was confirmed | One per parent object |
| identityProof/verifiedAddress | string | Address, as confirmed on document | One per parent object |
| name | | | Yes (names) |
| name/family | string | The component of the person's name excluding the given, middle, and honorific components | One per parent object |
| name/formatted | string | The person's name, suitably formatted for display | One per parent object |
| name/given | string | The component of the person's name excluding the middle, family, and honorific components | One per parent object |
| name/language | locale | The language encoding of the person's name | One per parent object |
| name/middle | string | The component of the person's name excluding the given, family, and honorific components | One per parent object |
| name/prefix | string | The honorific prefix of the person's name, such as "Dr" or "Ms" | One per parent object |
| name/suffix | string | The honorific suffix of the person's name, such as "Jr" or "III" | One per parent object |

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| name/type | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> author fka official preferred | The type of the name <ul style="list-style-type: none"> author: Name suitable for publishing (eg: on academic papers) fka: "Formerly Known As", a previous name for the person (eg: maiden name) official: Name as found on government-issued ID preferred: Name as self-asserted | One per parent object |
| photo | | | Yes (photos) |
| photo/data | binary | Encoding of a photo of the person | One per parent object |
| photo/encoding | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> bmp gif jpg png tiff | The encoding used for the photo | One per parent object |
| photo/type | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> badge official personal | The type of the photo (<i>not</i> the encoding) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> badge: Photo used on an ID card official: Photo taken for official purposes (such as display in a faculty directory) personal: User supplied photo for non-official purposes | One per parent object |
| primaryAffiliation | string | The primary affiliation for the person, as defined by the institution (values same as for Person Role <i>affiliation</i> attribute, below) | No |
| primaryCampus | string | The primary campus location for the person, as defined by the institution | No |
| role | | Parent attribute for Role attributes, described below | Yes |
| telephoneNumber | | | Yes (telephoneNumbers) |
| telephoneNumber/number | string | Telephone number for the person, preferably in + notation | One per parent object |
| telephoneNumber/type | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> campus fax home mobile office summer former-<i>anytype</i> | The type of the telephone number | One per parent object |
| telephoneNumber/verified | boolean | True if the telephone number has been verified | One per parent object |
| test | boolean | True if this record represents a test entry | No |
| url | | | Yes (urls) |
| url/url | string | URL for the person | One per parent object |
| url/type | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> official personal | The type of the telephone number | One per parent object |

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| visa | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • permanentResident • A • A-2 • B-1 • B-2 • BCC • C • CR1 • D • E • E-3 • F • G-1 • G-2 • G-3 • G-4 • G-5 • H-1B • H-1B1 • H-2A • H-2B • H-3 • I • IR1 • J • K-1 • K-3 • L • M • NATO • P • Q • T • TD • TN • U | Visa status of the person | No |
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Person Role Core Attributes

| Attribute | Data Type | Definition | Multi-Valued? |
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| address | | <i>As defined for Person Attributes</i> | Yes (addresses) |
| affiliation | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • affiliate • alum • employee • faculty • library-walk-in • member • staff • student | The person's broad relationship to the institution for the role (eduPerson) | One per role |
| campus | string | The campus location this role is attached to, as defined by the institution | Yes (campuses) |
| campusCode | string | Machine readable identifier for a campus. This value is unlikely to have meaning outside of a specific institution. | Yes (campusCodes) |
| department | string | The name of the department the role is attached to (multiple values are permitted if multiple departments sponsor a single role) | Yes (departments) |
| departmentCode | string | Machine readable identifier for a department. This value is unlikely to have meaning outside of a specific institution. | Yes (departmentCodes) |
| displayTitle | string | The display title for this role | One per role |
| emailAddress | | <i>As defined for Person Attributes</i> | Yes (emailAddresses) |
| identifier | | <i>As defined for Person Attributes</i> | Yes (identifiers) |
| leaveBegins | dateTime | Time at which leave from this role begins; advisory – status is controlling | One per role |
| leaveEnds | dateTime | Time after which leave from this role is no longer in effect; advisory – status is controlling | One per role |
| manager | string | An identifier (preferably of type <code>enterprise</code>) describing the manager for this role ⚠ This should become a complex attribute (identifier+type) | Yes (managers) |

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| organization | string | The name of the organization/institution the role is attached to (multiple values are permitted if multiple organizations sponsor a single role) | Yes (organizations) |
| organizationCode | string | Machine readable identifier for an organization. This value is unlikely to have meaning outside of a specific institution. | Yes (organization Codes) |
| percentTime | integer (0 - 100) | The percentage time for this role (100 = full time) | One per role |
| rank | positive integer | The rank of this role relative to <i>a//</i> roles from all SORs (highest rank = 1) | One per role |
| rankSor | positive integer | The rank of this role relative to <i>_only_</i> roles from this SOR (highest rank = 1) | One per role |
| roleBegins | dateTime | Time at which the role officially begins | One per role |
| roleEnds | dateTime | Time after which the role is officially no longer in effect | One per role |
| sor | string | Label for the system of record asserting this role | One per role |
| sponsor | string | An identifier (preferably of type <i>enterprise</i>) describing the sponsor for this role  This should become a complex attribute (identifier+type) | Yes (sponsors) |
| status | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">acceptedappliedactiveofferedonLeaveregisteredsuspendedterminated | Status associated with this role: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The person has accepted an offer for this role (enrollment or hire)The person has applied for this role (enrollment or hire)The role is active (hire)The person has been made an offer for this role but has not yet accepted (enrollment or hire)The person is on leave from this role (enrollment or hire)The person has registered for this role (enrollment)The person has been suspended from this role (enrollment or hire)The role has been terminated (enrollment or hire) (termination date is in <i>roleEnds</i>) | One per role |
| telephoneNumber | | <i>As defined for Person Attributes</i> | Yes (telephoneNumbers) |
| terminationReason | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">deceasedgraduatedinvoluntaryresignedretiredwithdrew | Reason for termination associated with this role | One per role |
| title | string | The official title for this role | Yes (titles) |
| url | | <i>As defined for Person Attributes</i> | Yes (urls) |
| validFrom | dateTime | Time at which services associated with the role should begin | One per role |
| validThrough | dateTime | Time after which services associated with the role should be terminated | One per role |

HR Person Role Attributes

| Attribute | Data Type | Definition | Multi-Valued? |
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| employeeType | extensibleVocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">consultantcontractoremeritusexemptregulartenuredvendorvisitingworkStudy | | No |

Student Person Role Attributes

| Attribute | Data Type | Definition | Multi-Valued? |
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| classYear | <p>extensibleVocabulary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • freshman • sophomore • junior • senior • ##### | ##### is a four digit expected year of graduation | No |
| courseAffiliation | <p>extensibleVocabulary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrator • ContentDeveloper • Instructor • Learner • Manager • Member • Mentor • Officer • TeachingAssistant | Person's affiliation/role with a course. Based on MACE-Dir work . | Yes, per-courseMembership |
| courseMembership | string | | Yes |
| degree | <p>extensibleVocabulary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAS • BA • BFA • BS • DDS • DNP • JD • LLM • MA • MArch • MBA • MD • MFA • MPH • MPS • MS • PhD | | Yes, if a single program generates more than one degree. (Otherwise use separate roles.) |
| major | | | Yes (majors) |
| major/major | string | Student's major | No |
| major/majorCode | string | Machine readable identifier for the major. This value is unlikely to have meaning outside of a specific institution. | No |
| major/type | <p>extensibleVocabulary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dual • minor • primary • secondary | | No |
| residenceHall | string | | No |
| studentType | <p>extensibleVocabulary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • continuing • graduate • nondegree • professional • secondary • summer • undergraduate • visiting | Secondary = (eg) high school | No |
| term | dateTerm | Term for which this record applies | No |

College/School should be expressed in `organization` and Major/Program should be expressed in `department`. (XXX or should they get dedicated attributes?)

Extended Attributes

The Core Schema may be extended. How extended attributes are conveyed between participants is outside of the scope of this document. Extended attributes must begin with `x-`, may be hierarchical, and may be attached to the Person or Person Role.