

Registry External Identities

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An *External Identity* is intended to represent any sort of identity external to the CO. Common examples of External Identities include

- Federated Identities
- Social Identities (Google, Facebook, etc)
- Research Identities (ORCID)
- ERP Records (PeopleSoft, Workday, Banner)

Date Model Elements

In general, *External Identities* and *External Identity Roles* track [People](#) and [Person Roles](#).

External Identities as reflected in Registry are considered read-only, changes must be made in the System of Record any sync'd back to Registry. External Identity records are *not* intended to be provisioned - they are an intermediate representation of the System of Record data and are intended for Registry Administrator use only. However, the Person record attributes generated from External Identity records may be edited, and may furthermore be [frozen](#) to preserve local overrides.

Searching External Identities

Currently, External Identities are not searchable as part of [Global Search](#).

In v4, it was possible to list and filter all Organizational Identities since they were top level objects linked directly to the CO and could exist on their own. In PE, External Identities are a part of the Person record, and as such there is no directly equivalent view. A somewhat similar result can be obtained by filtering *External Identity Source Records*, available via *ALL > Artifacts > External Identity Source Records*.

See Also

- [Registry Table: external_identities](#)
- [Registry Table: external_identity_roles](#)
- [ExternalIdentity API v2](#)
- [ExternalIdentityRole API v2](#)

Changes From Earlier Versions

As of Registry v5.0.0

- *OrgIdentity* was split into *ExternalIdentity* and *ExternalIdentityRole*.
- *ExternalIdentity* directly relates to *Person* (a Person may have multiple External Identities, but an External Identity can only belong to one Person). The [CoOrgIdentityLink](#) crosswalk has been eliminated and [Organizational Identity Pooling](#) support has been dropped.
- *affiliation* was replaced with *affiliation_type_id*.
- *o* was renamed *organization*.
- *ou* was renamed *department*.