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**It’s been an excellent placement; I’m getting hands-on experience related to my degree, performing accounting functions.**  
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**Kevin Schaeffer**  
4 year BBA, Accounting Operations,  
Indigenous Services Canada



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## Co-operative Education Program

Enhance Your Degree



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### Co-operative Education: An Overview

Co-op at UWinnipeg is a form of work-integrated learning: it combines classroom-based education with relevant paid work experience and is a unique career-building opportunity for highly-motivated and committed students.

Co-op students have the opportunity to apply their academic knowledge in a workplace setting directly related to their area of study. The employment opportunities provide students the ability to explore different industries and roles, allowing them to clearly define a career path after graduation.

Work experience opportunities may take the form of a single work term during the summer or a series of work terms throughout a four-year degree. All students complete their first work term in the spring.

### Student Benefits

Our small cohort of Co-op students benefit from professional development training and one-on-one support that includes resume and cover letter writing, interview and job-search skills.

Throughout the academic year, various events provide Co-op students the opportunity to develop networking skills and to connect with industry professionals from various organizations.

Students in the UWinnipeg Co-op Program will have access to co-op job postings and receive support through the program to obtain a work term. By completing work terms, students build their resume over the course of their university studies.

The majority of students who are successful in the program secure full-time employment in their field post-graduation.

## Eligibility

The Co-op program is open to interested students pursuing a degree in the following departments:

- › Business & Administration
- › Economics
- › Applied Computer Science

If your area of study is outside of the above, and you are interested in participating in the Co-op program, please contact the Co-op Office to discuss your options.

Students must have a minimum 3.0 CGPA, have completed 21 credit hours and be returning to the University in the semester following the work term. Students are required to go through an interview process prior to acceptance into the program. For full application criteria, please visit our website.

## Program Elements

During the Fall term, students are required to complete a non-credit course that covers topics ranging from resume-writing and interview skills to emotional intelligence and interpersonal professional skills.

In the Winter term, students are assisted in preparing for a job search and have access to the co-op job inventory.

Networking and professional development events are held throughout the Fall and Winter terms. Most students are involved in work terms during the spring/summer semester, but returning students are eligible for further work terms in the Fall and Winter semesters.



**At the Applied Computer Science networking event, I actually spoke to the person who ended up interviewing me at Richardson International that was obviously fantastic!**

**Nicole Van Hove**  
4 year ACS & BBA,  
Student Software Developer,  
Richardson International Ltd.

## Co-op Employment

The UWinnipeg Co-op program has developed relationships with a variety of organizations that have offered work placements to our students. A few examples are:

- › Bison Transport
- › Bold Commerce
- › Deloitte Canada
- › Health Canada
- › International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)
- › RBC Royal Bank
- › Richardson International
- › Shopify
- › Transport Canada
- › Ubisoft
- › Wawanesa Insurance

## Application Deadline

There are two important application dates:

**Applications Open: June 1**

**Applications Deadline: September 15**

Students interested in Co-op are encouraged to apply early, as there are a limited number of students accepted into the program.

## Fees

There is a \$544 annual fee to cover the cost of the program. Subject to change.

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**I am very thankful that I have the job I have and I absolutely love it! If it were not for the Co-op Program, I would not be where I am today!**

**Terina Ingram,**  
Civil Service Commission,  
HR Consultant.

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