#### **MULTI-FACULTY**

# CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Co-operative Education Program takes you beyond the classroom as it prepares you for paid work experience in a relevant field.

Co-op education combines in-class learning with the opportunity to gain valuable paid employment in your chosen field. Co-op students complete a non-credit course in pre-employment skills, workshops and networking opportunities as well as meet with the Co-op Coordinator to discuss their career goals. You'll be assisted in applying for a co-op work term from positions posted by prospective employers. Although there is no guarantee of a job, the program has been successful in attracting interesting companies looking to hire a co-op student.

The University of Winnipeg's Co-operative Education Program is open to students from the Departments of Applied Computer Science, Business, and Economics. Students from other departments are welcome to apply and will be reviewed on a case by case analysis. Work terms are typically four months in duration and may begin in January, May or September. You will work in a professional environment, using the knowledge and skills that you learned in the classroom. This work experience will add to your resume as well as make you aware of different career options within your field. If you choose the for-credit option, you can also earn three general elective credit hours towards your degree.

When you complete a work term through the University's Co-op Program, it **appears on your transcript**, whether you choose the for-credit option or the not-for-credit option. When you complete three work terms, you will receive a **Co-operative Education Designation** on your degree when you graduate.

#### BENEFITS OF JOINING THE CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

**Set yourself apart.** Co-op work terms show employers that you have the requisite academic knowledge and training, and that you can apply it effectively in the workplace.

Gain real life work experience and an opportunity to learn in an enriching environment while building your professional networks.

**Earn while you learn.** In a Co-op work term, you can apply the latest theories and approaches learned in the classroom while earning an income working in your field.

### SAMPLE OF PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS

- RBC
- Scotiabank
- Cambrian Credit Union
- City of Winnipeg
- Ubisoft Winnipeg

- Great-West Life
- Resolute Technologies
- Department of Fisheries and Oceans
- Richardson International Ltd.
- Manitoba Civil Service

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- Manitoba Hydro
- Manitoba Lotteries
- Bold Commerce
- Bank of Canada
- Canada Revenue Agency
- Canada Border Services Agency
- Canada Immigration and Citizenship
- PepsiCo
- MNP
- Deloitte
- SkipTheDishes
- Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Authority of Manitoba

- Statistics Canada
- Industry Canada
- TD Bank
- Cargill
- Tesla
- Agriculture & AgriFoods Canada
- Grain Commission of Canada
- Public Works & Government Services
   Canada
- Canadian School of Public Services
- Conservation & Water Stewardship

#### **ALL APPLICANTS MUST:**

- Be registered in a degree program at UWinnipeg and have completed 30 credit hours of study;
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0
- Submit a co-op application form plus cover letter, resume, at least two references, and an unofficial transcript;
- Sign a Terms and Conditions agreement;
- Be returning to University after completing their work term;
- International Students must also submit either an Off-Campus Work Permit or a Co-op Work Permit, or contact the Co-op Office to set up an assessment meeting.

Please contact the Co-op Office for more information on the eligibility requirements and student responsibilities at coop@uwinnipeg.ca or visit our website: uwinnipeg.ca/coop-program.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Eligible students can apply to Coop online at: <a href="https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/coop-program/future-students/student-application-form.html">www.uwinnipeg.ca/coop-program/future-students/student-application-form.html</a> or pick up an application from the Co-op Office. Co-op fees will be applied upon application acceptance.

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