

Cooperative Education (Co-op) Program

The Cooperative Education (Co-op) Program provides opportunities for students to alternate semesters of academic study with full-time, career-related, paid work experience in industry, business, and government agencies.

Coordination of study and work combines theory and practice. As a result, students find increased meaning in and motivation for their studies. This experience helps to develop a sense of responsibility, judgment, and maturity. Students also benefit financially, since they are paid for their work.

In four-year undergraduate curricula, the Cooperative Education Program is sometimes a five-year plan. A student must complete at least two semesters of the freshman year with an above-average scholastic record before being placed with an employer. Cooperative Education is offered in all curricula of the College of Agriculture; Architecture, Design and Construction; Business; Engineering; Liberal Arts; Sciences and Mathematics and in all curricula of the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment.

A graduate Co-op Program can be arranged for certain students in masters and doctoral programs where employers can provide professional work experiences directly related to the student's specialized field of study.

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