



## INTERNSHIPS & COOPERATIVE EDUCATION



### Internship and Co-Op (Cooperative Education) Experiences

Internships and Co-Ops are an ideal way to gain invaluable work experience and earn credit. Student interns can earn up to 12 academic credits. Co-Op students can earn 18 credits. Many employers now require full-time employment candidates to complete an internship or co-op experience. As a result, many interns and co-op students are offered full-time employment at the end of their assignment.

#### INTERNSHIPS

- Internships involve an engagement with an employer that is typically *shorter* than a co-op experience
- Internships may be completed by Undergraduate or Graduate students
- *Undergraduate* student interns can earn up to 12 academic credits
- *Graduate* student interns can earn up to 9 academic credits
- Internships typically cover *one* semester (but can be longer)
- Internships can be paid or unpaid (however, most are paid)
- Student interns typically work 10 - 20 hours per week
- Summer Internship tuition is *discounted* by 25%

#### CO-OPS

- Co-Ops involve an engagement with an employer that is typically *longer* than an internship
- Co-Ops are limited to *Undergraduate* students
- Students can enter the Co-Op program as an incoming Freshman or at the end of their Freshman year
- Co-Ops typically span *two* consecutive semesters
- Co-Op students can earn 18 credits for their experiences
- *All* Co-Op positions are paid
- Co-Op students typically work 37.5 - 40+ hours per week
- Co-Op students must attend three pre-session courses. Pre-session courses meet the week prior to the semester start.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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