

# Co-op Programs

## Internship and Summer Engineering Co-op

Western Engineering recognizes every student has a different career plan. With that in mind, we offer two types of co-op opportunities:

### Internship and Summer Engineering Co-op Program (SECOP).

Both programs are optional for student participation and are open to all undergraduate engineering students. You may apply to these programs in the fall of the academic year you wish to participate.

### Internship Program

Work on advanced engineering projects in a paid position, from start to finish, after you have completed three years of study. Internships offer longer work terms, providing you with more extensive work experience. Western Engineering works with national and international companies to ensure a wide variety and complement of engineering work opportunities for our students.

### Summer Engineering Co-op Program (SECOP)

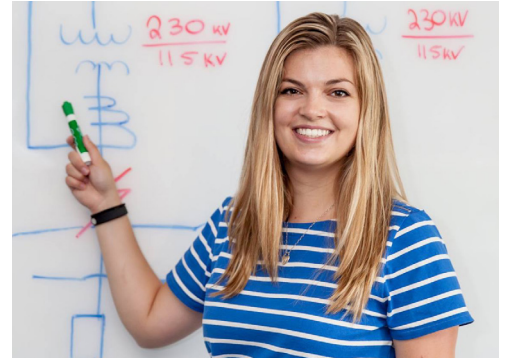
Work during the summer months (May to August) and gain valuable real-world experience in a paid position. When you complete a SECOP you will gain career-related work experience to enhance and build on your university learning experience. SECOP's are flexible – you can complete one every year or choose to complete just one during your time at Western.

Both internship and SECOP follow the guidelines proposed by the Canadian Association for Cooperative Education (CAFCE), including an introductory co-op workshop, a placement process, a required minimum academic average, employer/student placement evaluations and a report.

### Requirements

To participate in Western Engineering's internship and co-op programs, you must:

- Be a current full-time undergraduate engineering student
- Maintain a 65 per cent or higher cumulative average
- Submit all of the necessary documents to Engineering Career Services Office
- Demonstrate a genuine interest in professional development and experiential education
- Register online at CareerCentral



*Tessa Leonard on an internship at Hydro One.*



*Luke Berkmortel on a co-op placement at Givens Engineering Inc.*



*Laura Smith on a co-op placement at Pinterest.*



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# Engineering Career Services Office



## Who are we?

The mission of Engineering Career Services is to provide professional career planning and job search assistance to Western Engineering students. We strive to connect students with compatible employers in order to provide specific experience and training related to our students' career aspirations. We serve as a medium for students to locate interested employers, while providing guidance for resume development, cover letter writing, interview techniques, internships, summer engineering co-op opportunities, and other specific aspects of career planning.

We are proud to offer a variety of career related services to all Western Engineering students. We also provide services to employers who are offering permanent, internship, summer and part-time positions to engineering students. Working closely with The Student Success Centre at Western, we provide online job listings and many other career resources.

## What services do we offer?

The Engineering Career Services Coordinator is available to assist students with:

- Résumé and cover letter writing
- Job searching skills
- Mock interviews
- Networking skills

The Engineering Career Services Office also coordinates many career workshops, industry and alumni career related panel discussions, and company information sessions. These events provide an excellent opportunity for students to learn more about trends in industry and career options.

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