Statistical Sciences Co-op Program

Science Co-op
What is Co-op?

Academic Studies

Professional Network

Work Experience
What are the Benefits?

Tackle the Post-Graduation Job Market Confidently

- Hands-On Work Experience
- Important Life Skills
- $$$ for Tuition

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Employers love hiring UBC Co-ops

...The brightest and self-motivated are with co-op!

...It builds a future talent pipeline for hiring new graduates!

...UBC Co-ops have great reputation!

...They love to mentor!
Supporting Co-op Students’ Success

- Resumes & Cover Letters Reviews
- Interview Preparation
- Workshops & 1-on-1 Support

- Develop Job Opportunities
- Facilitate Job Offer Process
- General Advising

- Create Networking Opportunities
- Maintain Employer Relationships

- Check-ins
- Advise and Resolve Workplace Issues
- Manage Work-terms

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Co-op Workshops

- Crafting strong resumes
- Writing effective cover letters
- Searching for jobs with strategies
- Preparing for interviews (technical and non-technical)
- Transitioning successfully from school to work
- Recognizing discrimination, bullying and harassment at the workplace

All workshops are mandatory and must be completed prior to start of job search
Co-op Schedule and Timeline
Co-op Schedule Options?

• Several entry points for admission; all options will provide you with a similar Co-op experience
• Rule of thumb: your start term will be about 1 year after your application
• Students who take **STAT 200, 300, 302 (or Math 302)** in or by Winter term 2 can apply in term 2 of 2\(^{nd}\) year
• Students who take **STAT 305, 306** can apply in the following Fall term 1 of 3\(^{rd}\) year
• **BA students**: ECON 325, 326, 323 (optional) can apply in the following Fall term 1 of 3\(^{rd}\) year
• Please refer to [http://www.sciencecoop.ubc.ca/prospective/apply/stats](http://www.sciencecoop.ubc.ca/prospective/apply/stats)
Co-op Schedule

Work-Term Schedules

Students applying in Year 2:

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*Apply as soon as you are eligible to maximize your time, and thus opportunities in Co-op*

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How do I Apply?
Who is Eligible?

* Majoring in **Stats** now; or no major yet and will declare Stats as a major by July
* 30+ credits remaining at time of application to Co-op

- **Year 2**
  - Completed or completing
  - STAT 200, 300, 302 (or Math 302)

- **Year 3**
  - Completing STAT 305, 306

- **BA students**
  - Completing ECON 325, 326, 323 (optional)

* BSc = 4 years
Basic Requirements

Commitment to the Co-op Program

- Complete all workshops
- Actively engage in the job search
- Be open and flexible to job opportunities

Work Term Completion (Varies by Program*)

- BSc (Stats): Four to five 4-month work terms
- Work terms cannot all be in the Summer and must end degree on a full academic term

Program Fees

- Administration and Workshop Fee: One-time fee
- Co-op Fee: payable for each 4-month work term that you have secured a job (same for domestic and international students)
- Co-op fees are subject to change. Please refer to the UBC Calendar for the most current information.
How many students are accepted?

- The Co-op program doesn’t have an admission upper limit, i.e. students are not competing against each other for admission
- Admission rate varies by year, ranging from 75-85%
International Students

International students will need a Co-op work permit to work in Canada.

The Co-op office will assist you in applying for the co-op work permit.

Fees and application process to the Co-op program are the same for domestic and international students, though there are co-op jobs with citizenship restrictions.
How Do I Apply?

Apply Online

- Online application
  
  www.sciencecoop.ubc.ca

- Resume and non-UBC transcript in one document

Deadline Dates

Announced each term (check the Science Co-op Website)

Transcript:

- From UBC: no transcript needed (we check directly from the UBC system)
- Any other post-secondary non-UBC transcript (including overseas):
  - Non-official transcript/screen captures are fine
  - Combine with resume into 1 file
How Am I Assessed?

Application
- Online Submission
- Quality of responses to application questions

*Resume
- Technical and Analytical Projects (academic or personal)
- Work Experience (e.g. McDonald’s, Camp Counsellor)
- Volunteer Experience
- Extracurricular Activities

Intake Interview
- Communication
- Professionalism
- Teamwork Skills
- Leadership Skills
- Open and Flexible
- Willingness to Relocate

* This will **not** be the same resume employers see

You will be notified 3-4 weeks after the application deadline whether you are invited to an intake interview.

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General Rule of thumb: students normally start their Work Term about 1 year after applying to the Co-op Program
More information:

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