ubc science co-op

Computer Science & Cognitive Systems Co-op Program
Overview

- What is Co-op?
- Who is Eligible?
- What is the Application Process?
What is Co-op?

Work Experience

Academic Studies

Professional Network
What are the Benefits?

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

Tackle the Post-Graduation Job Market Confidently
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
- Site Visits
- Advise and Resolve Workplace Issues
- Manage Work-terms
Co-op Workshops

Crafting strong resumes
Writing effective cover letters
Preparing for interviews (technical and non-technical)
Transitioning successfully from school to work

All workshops are mandatory and must be completed prior to start of job search
Who is Eligible?

Full-time student status, majoring in CPSC/COGS or in the process of **declaring CPSC as a major**

30+ credits remaining at time of application

Minimum B- average

- BSc(CPSC,COGS)/BCom/BA
  - Completed or completing CPSC 121, 210

- BCS
  - Completing CPSC 110 (apply in your first study term at UBC)
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 (CPSC, COGS): Four to five 4-month work terms
- BCS: Two 4-month work terms
- BCom and BA: Three 4-month work terms
- Work terms cannot all be in the Summer and must end on a full academic term

Program Fees

- Administration and Workshop Fee: One-time fee
- Co-op Fee: payable for each 4-month work term (same for domestic and international students)

  *Co-op fees are subject to change. Please refer to the UBC Calendar for the most current information*
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
Co-op Beyond Borders

* Due to the changing situation around COVID-19, UBC has cancelled all in and out-bound programs set to run through to the end of 2020 – [http://students.ubc.ca/about-student-services/go-global](http://students.ubc.ca/about-student-services/go-global)

To be registered for a Co-op work term, Co-op students must be physically residing in Canada for the duration of the co-op term.

* As of September 2020
Co-op Schedule Options?

- Co-op schedules vary depending on when you apply to the Co-op Program (Fall or Spring)

- Rule of thumb: your start term will be about 1 year after your application. During this preparation period, you will participate in pre-employment workshops, and look for jobs

- Please refer to [http://www.sciencecoop.ubc.ca/prospective/apply/cs](http://www.sciencecoop.ubc.ca/prospective/apply/cs)
# Co-op Schedule (Fall)

## Schedule B for BSc Students - Fall Application

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How Do I Apply?

Apply Online

- Online application
  www.sciencecoop.ubc.ca
- Resume and non-UBC transcript in one document
- If you are a combined major, apply to the co-op program that you’d like your first work term to be in

Deadline Dates

- Apply by:
  October 1, 2020 11:59PM
- Apply as soon as you are eligible to maximize your time, and thus opportunities, in Co-op
How Am I Assessed?

Application
- Online Submission
- Quality of responses to application questions

Resume
- Technical Projects (academic or personal)
- Work Experience (eg. McDonald’s, Camp Counsellor)
- Volunteer Experience
- Extracurricular Activities

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

- **Oct 1**: Application Deadline
- **Oct/Nov/Dec**: Intake Interviews
- **Jan**: Admission Notification
- **Jan-April**: Workshops
- **May-Aug**: Job Search Period
- **Sept**: First Co-op Term Begins

*after T1 grades are posted*
More information:

www.sciencecoop.ubc.ca