EXPERIENCE YOUR FUTURE

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Purdue Polytechnic Institute
Co-Op Programs
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OFFERINGS

- Founded in 1954 to facilitate experiential education and serve as a bridge between academic community and industry.
- Polytechnic Program Offerings
  - Co-Op Program
  - Internships
- Location
  - Potter Engineering Center, Room 114
According to a Forbes-Internships.com study, 66% of employers “believe interview and EXPERIENCE are the most important” hiring criteria.

- Enhance your interview by having relevant experience!

Gallup-Purdue Index

- 71% of recent graduates who availed themselves of academically-relevant work experience employed full-time at graduation.
- Twice as likely to be engaged at work.

But, how do you gain experience?

- The Office of Professional Practice!
CO-OP PROGRAMS
5-SESSION AND 3-SESSION
WHAT IS IT?

• Work-integrated plan of study
• Student opportunity to gain EXPERIENCE
• Gain 12-22 months of paid work experience alternating between semesters of on-campus learning and work with Professional Practice Employer
  • More than 180 Polytechnic-qualified employers!
COOPERATIVE EDUCATION AT PURDUE

CO-OP PROGRAMS

5-Session Co-Op Program
- Recruit students during first year
- Attend callout beginning of second semester
- Minimum GPA of 2.8
- First work session either summer or fall after first year
- Alternating academic and work sessions afterward
- Total of 5 work sessions (~16-20 months)
- Typically 2 summer and 3 spring and/or fall
- Students graduate in 5 years

3-Session Co-Op Program
- Callouts year round, focused during IR
- Minimum GPA of 2.6
- Students in fourth semester or higher
- Much more flexible, can start as late as third or fourth year in summer, fall, or spring
- Alternating academic and work sessions afterward
- Total of 3 work sessions (~12 months)
- Typically 1 summer, 1 spring, and 1 fall
- Students graduate in 5 years

Purdue University
• Students graduate in five years, but pay only four years of tuition!
  • Pay only program fee of $400 during Co-Op sessions.
• Financial aid (FAFSA, University merit scholarships, etc.) will **USUALLY** be applied to semesters of on-campus academic study.
• Students are handsomely compensated by their employers, at a rate commensurate with experience.

### Financial Implications

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Internships

- Enrollment open at any time during academic career.
- 1 semester or summer session in length
- Enroll for credit via OPP
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

JOSHUA CAMPBELL, BSAET ’18: 5-SESSION CO-OP

• Program:
  5-Session Co-Op
  • Aeronautical Engineering Technology

• Employer:
  GE Aviation
**LET’S GET STARTED**

**TIMELINE**

- **January 13, 2016**
  - Co-Op Callouts

- **Early February**
  - Student Workshops

- **February 16-18, 2016**
  - Professional Practice Career Fair and Interview Days

- **March/April**
  - Co-Op Selections
Call, click or visit:

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