

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Cooperative Education (co-op) is one form of an experiential learning opportunity. Co-op is also a plan of education that actively combines classroom learning and on-the-job experience by alternating periods of study and work. The work period is spent in full-time employment with private industry or governmental agencies. The work assignment exposes the student to a variety of experiences and is closely related to his/her field of study and career goals.

Students with an overall GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale and that have completed 30 credits may be eligible. Please check with your specific academic area to determine their requirements. Some employers have requested co-op students who have had particular course completion prior to the co-op experience. Other employers suggest multiple term co-ops. The University of Wisconsin-Platteville Career and Professional Development Office works with the co-op Program to assist students looking for positions.