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School of Applied Technology

WORK PLACEMENT SERVICES

"My work placement was very much a learning experience for me. It's also beneficial to do the work placement because it gives you hands-on experience. When you graduate, this experience gives you a competitive advantage over other recent graduates who don't have any experience."

CESAR – GRADUATE OF ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGY

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WE ARE LEARNING TO WORK

I was a student that came straight from high school and had no relevant work experience. Work Placement Services helped me identify the skills that I learned here at Humber to include in my resume so I could market myself as somebody who was hireable.

SHARMIN - CIVIL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

WE ARE PREPARING YOU FOR YOUR FUTURE

Work placements are a great way to take what you learn in school, and apply your skills and knowledge in the actual workplace. During the work term you will: learn new skills, learn about the world of work, work alongside and learn from people in jobs or companies of interest to you, as well as learn a little more about yourself along the way. Our work term program, WORK2LEARN, is all about helping you get a head start on your career.

A meaningful work placement is an opportunity for you to learn and build skills for career success in your field of study. In designated Diploma programs, a placement is also:

- Paid employment
- Productive work (not job shadowing)
- Occurs from May to August after Semester 4*
- Ideally 4 months of full-time work (minimum 400 hours)

**NOTE: For Interior Decorating, the work term occurs after Semester 2, minimum 240 hours.*

Top 10 Reasons to Participate in WORK2LEARN

1. Gain valuable, practical work experience
2. Earn money while you learn
3. Apply what you learn in school to real-world problems or situations
4. Learn by doing
5. Gain new skills and knowledge
6. Learn from people working in the field
7. Experience what its like to work for a particular employer, or in a particular position
8. Build a network of valuable contacts for your capstone project or future employment
9. Gain (more) insight into your career goals and interests
10. Upon completion of work term requirements, earn recognition on your academic record

Diploma Programs with Optional Work Placements Summer 2019

- Architectural Technology
- Civil Engineering Technology
- Computer Engineering Technology
- Electrical Engineering Technician/Technology
- ElectroMechanical Engineering Technician/Technology
- Electronics Engineering Technician/Technology
- HVAC Technician/Technology
- Interior Decorating
- Mechanical Engineering Technician/Technology
- Sustainable Energy & Building Technology

Services Available to Participating Students

As a student participating in WORK2LEARN, you will have access to services to help you plan and manage your job search as well as prepare for a successful work term. Services include

- Workshops on resume writing, job search strategies and interviewing
- Personalized feedback on your resume
- Practice building confidence in your interviewing skills
- Help to establish realistic workplace expectations
- Access to career events and people from industry
- Exclusive access to program-related job postings in our leading-edge, online job portal

Students are encouraged to actively pursue their own career goals and interests. As a student in WORK2LEARN, you will be required to conduct your own job search to improve your employment prospects.

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Work Experience Matters!

- **Participating in a work term significantly improves your chances of getting a good job when you graduate.**
- **Employers typically offer higher wages to new graduates with work term experience.**

For employers, work term experience signals greater potential ability, future productivity, and a smoother transition of graduates into the workforce.

Work Terms pay off

In a recent survey on employment prospects for postsecondary graduates, the results were overwhelming in favour of work term experience. Over 80% of Ontario employers who provided work placement or internship opportunities, subsequently extended offers of employment to graduates who had gained work term experience at their workplace.

Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario (HEQCO), October 2012

Eligibility and Registration

To be eligible to participate in WORK2LEARN, students must be be enrolled full-time in a work term designated Diploma program, eligible to participate in an optional work placement, and available to work during the scheduled work term period. Students must also be in good academic standing and have successfully completed all core courses prior to the work term. **Fees are due at the time of registration in WORK2LEARN through MyHumber.** Fees pay for the costs associated with employer marketing and outreach, career events, maintaining the job posting system and database, student placement support and administration. WORK2LEARN fees are non-refundable.

Eligible students who meet all work term requirements will receive a SATISFACTORY evaluation on their academic record.

For more details related to eligiblity, registration and work term requirements, please drop by NX-302 or visit our website **www.appliedtechnology.humber.ca/work-placement**

Considering a Degree or joining OACETT after Graduation?

Other academic institutions with work term requirements, as well as organizations such as the Ontario Association of Engineering Technicians and Technologists (OACETT), frequently recognize formal work term experience gained from our programs.

One of the really great highlights of the job portal is that many leading companies in industry do post really good opportunities.

VIKRAM - MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

The career fair really helped me connect with employers who were looking for my specific skill set.

RAMAN - ELECTROMECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY, AUTOMATION & ROBOTICS

WE ARE INDUSTRY CONNECTED

We only hire graduates who have completed a work term during their program of study. Why? Even 4 months of work experience helps a recent grad have a much better understanding of what needs to be done, and what is expected of them.

EMPLOYER OF HUMBER APPLIED TECHNOLOGY GRADS

Humber's School of Applied Technology provides programs in the Built Environment, Advanced Manufacturing, Information and Communications Technology, and the Skilled Trades. The School has broad industry support, which means employment for our students and graduates. Relationships with employers and industry connections are realized through:

- Strong work placements and graduate employment rates
- Employer participation in career networking events
- Program Advisory Committees, comprised of representatives from industry
- Alumni who have made outstanding achievements in technology and design
- Faculty with extensive industry experience and connections

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The information in this brochure is accurate at the time of printing. While we do our best to forecast student participation so that no students or employers are inconvenienced, changes may occur. Therefore, the School reserves the right to modify or cancel any initiative, program, academic program inclusion, offering, service, fee or schedule without notice or prejudice.

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