Chemistry Co-op

Join Chemistry Co-op to try different jobs, meet employers, earn a salary and gain relevant work experience! You’ll complete co-op terms working for exciting employers in positions related to your field of study.

Chemistry co-op student Danica Jensen (right) worked for AXYS Analytical Systems as a lab chemist.
Program format options
Co-op work terms begin in January, May and September and are typically 4 months long. Several program options are available to fit your schedule:

- Co-op Program: 4 work terms
- Work Experience Program: 1–2 work terms
- Post-Study Internship: 4, 8 or 12 months

Where you could work
Our employers include industrial and pharmaceutical companies, analytical companies and government. Some past co-op jobs include:

- AIBN research internship—Australian Institute for Bioengineering and Nanotechnology (AIBN), University of Queensland
- Cherry and apple quality research co-op student—Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
- Formulation and analytical chemist—EcoSafe Natural Products Inc.
- Lab chemist—AXYS Analytical Services Ltd.
- Medicinal chemistry researcher—Centre for Drug Research and Development
- Organics, advanced extractions—ALS Laboratory Group
- Outreach instructor—Actua
- Process operator—Teck Ltd.
- Structure, properties and performance researcher—Automotive Fuel Cell Cooperation
- Youth STEM instructor—Science Venture

How to apply
Visit uvic.ca/chemcoop to learn more and apply online. You must be pursuing a major or honours degree in chemistry and have:

- Full-time student status
- Second-year standing
- A minimum B average

Application deadlines
- August 31 for early intake (first work term in January)
- September 30 for regular intake (first work term in May)