CO-OP + CAREER

Co-op for graduate students

Did you know that UVic is home to the largest graduate co-op program in Canada?

Co-op can be an amazing addition to your master's or doctoral studies. Many co-op students find permanent positions with their former employers after graduation, making co-op a smart choice to launch your career!

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Master of Global Business student Michael Carzim (right) spent a co-op work term as a junior analyst at Beanstream.

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As a graduate co-op student, you'll complete one or more 4-month co-op terms during your degree (the number of work terms depends on your program of study). You'll try different jobs, meet employers, earn a salary and gain relevant work experience.

Graduate co-op eligibility
Co-op is available to grad students in most program areas, and you're also eligible for the shorter Work Experience Program option. Your admission will be determined after consultation with your graduate adviser and department.

Co-op and your graduate research
Grad students often arrange co-op work terms related to their final projects, theses or dissertations. You can apply for jobs posted by employers or talk to your co-op coordinator to arrange funding for a job specific to your research area. If you're already working with a faculty member or industry partner on a joint endeavor that's contributing to your graduate research project, you may also be able to count this as a co-op work term.

Academic credit and student status
Grad students earn 3.0 units of credit for each co-op work term, which go towards the co-op designation you'll receive when you graduate. You'll also have full-time student status during your work term.

How to apply
Please contact the co-op office in your program area for application details—find yours at **uvic.ca/coopandcareer/co-op**.

Learn more about co-op and how it can help you launch your career!
Co-op Program – General inquiries | coopinfo@uvic.ca | 250-721-7628 | uvic.ca/coopandcareer/co-op

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