

WATERLOO PHARMACY

The Co-op Capsule

November 2010



Spring 2011: May to August

As you may know, there are a total of four required co-op terms in our pharmacy program, and we have different levels of students on co-op all year round.

In Spring 2011, it will be our second year students who will be heading out for their **second work term**.

If you are interested in hiring a student for this work term, please submit a job description no later than **Wed. January 12th, 2011**. Interviews will be conducted on **Fri. January 28th, 2011**.

This is a reminder that each co-op work term must be:

- 16- 18 weeks in duration
- minimum of 35 hours per week
- a paid position

Summary of Work Terms:

Co-op work terms:	Work period (16-18wks)	Job Submission due (approx)	School Year (4 year program)
#1	Sept - Dec [†]	May	Year One
#2	May- Aug	Jan	Year Two
#3 *	Jan - April	Sept	Year Three
#4*	Sept - Dec [†]	May	Year Three**

* Students have **direct patient care** objectives to fulfill in either work term #3 or #4.

**After completing work term #4, students enter Year Four (8 months of academic).

[†]Two classes are on work term every Sept-Dec term.

Curriculum completed prior to the Spring 2011 work term

Year one	
Winter 2010	PHARM 110 Systems Approach to the Study of the Human Body 1 CHEM 333 Metabolism PHARM 120A Introduction to the Profession of Pharmacy PHARM 124 Pharmaceutics 1 PHARM 126 Pharmaceutical Calculations PHARM 127 Professional Communication Skills in Pharmacy Practice 1 PHARM 129 Professional Practice 1 PHARM 150 Introduction to Applied Pharmaceutical Sciences
Spring 2010	PHARM 111 Systems Approach to the Study of the Human Body 2 PHARM 120B Introduction to the Profession of Pharmacy PHARM 125 Pharmaceutics 2 PHARM 128 Professional Communication Skills in Pharmacy Practice 2 PHARM 130 Professional Practice 2 PHARM 131 Professional Practice Laboratory 1 PHARM 140 Computing for Pharmacists - Fundamental Concepts PHARM 141 Introduction to Medicinal Chemistry, Toxicology and Pharmacology
Fall 2010	Work Term 1
Year Two	
Winter 2011	PHARM 220 Integrated Patient Focused Care 1 PHARM 221 Integrated Patient Focused Care 2 PHARM 227 Health Systems in Society PHARM 228 Professional Practice 3 PHARM 229 Professional Practice Laboratory 2 PHARM 232L Medical Microbiology Laboratory 1 PHARM 290 Seminars in Pharmacy 1
Spring 2011	Work Term 2

Click here to see the complete curriculum and course descriptions: <http://ugradcalendar.uwaterloo.ca/page/SI-PHARMACY-Degree-Requirements>

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: How much are students being paid on their second work terms?

A: The average salary (2009-2010) for second work term pharmacy students was \$15.07/hr (range: \$13.00-19.56).

Q: In the past, what have students been doing during their second work terms?

A: Our students are working in some very interesting roles. They are gaining experience in areas such as: drug distribution, research, project coordination, and patient counselling. Some of their job titles have included the following: pharmacy assistant, project coordinator, research assistant, and pharmacy student- med reconciliation. The students will be building upon the experience gained during their first work terms, in addition to putting into practice what they've learned since from the classroom. *In summary, our students have the education and experience to contribute to your team and organization from the very first day!*

Q: What does the School expect from the student's supervisor?

A: Employers will complete a midpoint and final general performance evaluation of the student. Students will complete an Online Professional Learning Outcome tracker (PLOT). The employer will be asked to review the completed PLOT online, and provide a rating and feedback to the student. Additional details on these evaluation tools will be provided to employers at the start of the work term.



Looking Forward

Our First Graduating Class: Rx2011

We are proud to announce that our Vanguard Class will be graduating in August 2011, with

approximately **ninety students**.

They will be on campus January to August 2011 completing their final academic terms. The Student Society is organizing graduating student recruitment activities for the class. For further information or to make arrangements for a recruiting session please contact Rx2011 representative: **John Thai** (j4thai@uwaterloo.ca)



Fall 2011: September to December

Every Fall, there will be both first and fourth work term students seeking jobs. This means double the pool of available students, and the potential to structure positions where a senior student works with a junior one. If your organization is interested in further discussing your Fall work term hiring plans, please contact us directly (phrexper@uwaterloo.ca).



Funding co-op positions

The following programs offer incentives for hiring co-op students. For more information please contact them directly.

- 1) Co-operative Education Tax Credit
<http://www.rev.gov.on.ca/en/credit/cetc/index.html>
- 2) Northern Ontario Youth Internship and Co-op Program
http://www.mndmf.gov.on.ca/nohfc/programs/youth_inter_nship_and_co-op_e.asp
- 3) FedNor Youth Internship Program
<http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/fn02367.html>
- 4) Canada Summer Jobs*
<http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/epb/yi/yep/programs/scpp.shtml>

**This applies for summer positions only (i.e. during our "Spring" co-op term) and applications are received during February.*

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