

Co-operative Education Funding Opportunity

- **Co-op Education Incentive** <http://novascotia.ca/programs/co-op-education-incentive/>
Eligibility includes all private sector, government-funded and non-profit organizations to assist in hiring students from an approved co-op program during Fall, Winter and Summer. Nova Scotia organizations are reimbursed by the Nova Scotia Department of Labour and Advanced Education for part of the student's wages. Please check website for deadlines.
- **NSERC Experience Awards** http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/UG-PC/Experience-Experience_eng.asp#1
Login page http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/Index_eng.asp
NSERC Experience Awards offer organizations access to talented natural sciences and engineering undergraduate students for a work term. The cost-shared program allows students to address organization specific R&D challenges while gaining valuable industrial experience. For employers – this is an opportunity to identify potential future full-time employees.
- **Environmental Careers Organization (ECO) Canada** <http://www.eco.ca/coop-program/>
ECO is matching students with employers in the environmental sector to help them on the path to a bright career. ECO's new Co-op Program provides 50% of wage funding for employers who hire Environmental students.

Other Potential Funding Opportunities

- **Student Work-Integrated Learning Program (SWILP)** <https://www.biotalent.ca/en/Co-opFunds>
An initiative to increase the job-readiness of students registered in STEM or business programs at Canadian post-secondary institutions. Co-op wage subsidies to a maximum of \$7,000
- **Student Summer Skills Incentive (SKILL)** <http://novascotia.ca/programs/student-summer-skills-incentive/>
Partners with not-for-profit organizations to create career-related summer jobs for post-secondary students. Organizations are reimbursed by Economic and Rural Development and Tourism for part of the student's wages.
- **Information Technology Association of Canada (ITAC)** <https://itactalent.ca/careerready>
Provides up to 50% (to a maximum of \$5,000) of a work term student's pay in wage subsidies. Employers that hire students from underrepresented groups may also qualify for additional funding (up to 70% or \$7,000).
- **Public Service Commission of Canada** <http://www.psc-cfp.gc.ca/sas-sde/stf-dot/hrng-s-eng.htm>
Valuable work experience is offered with a number of federal organizations through the FSWEF and Co-op Education and Internship Program. Students must be studying in Canada and be returning to full-time studies. Canadian citizens will be given preference. Part-time throughout the year; full time in summer.
- **Canada Summer Jobs** <http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/epb/yi/yep/programs/scpp.shtml>
Service Canada provides wage subsidies to help not-for-profit, public sector and smaller private sector organizations create career-related summer jobs for students aged 15 to 30. Available to Canadian citizens only.
- **Energy Training Program** <http://gov.ns.ca/energy/careers-training/energy-training-program.asp>
Wage subsidies are available for small to medium-sized Nova Scotia companies involved in the energy sector.

NOTE:

- **Deadlines vary for each program; please review program websites for current information.**
- Co-op work terms must be a minimum of 12-13 weeks and include at least 32.5 hours per week.
- The Co-op office strongly recommends early applications. Please review all requirements thoroughly to ensure your organization is considered for funding.

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