WELCOME to "Help, I don't have a co-op job... yet!"

We'll get started in a moment - but first, we want to hear from you! Let us know which number best describes your situation in the chat.

Looking for jobs on
WaterlooWorks

Looking for jobs outside of WaterlooWorks Looking for jobs
on &
outside of
WaterlooWorks

Not sure where to start!

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IT'S OKAY!

HELP! I DON'T HAVE A CO-OP JOB...YET!

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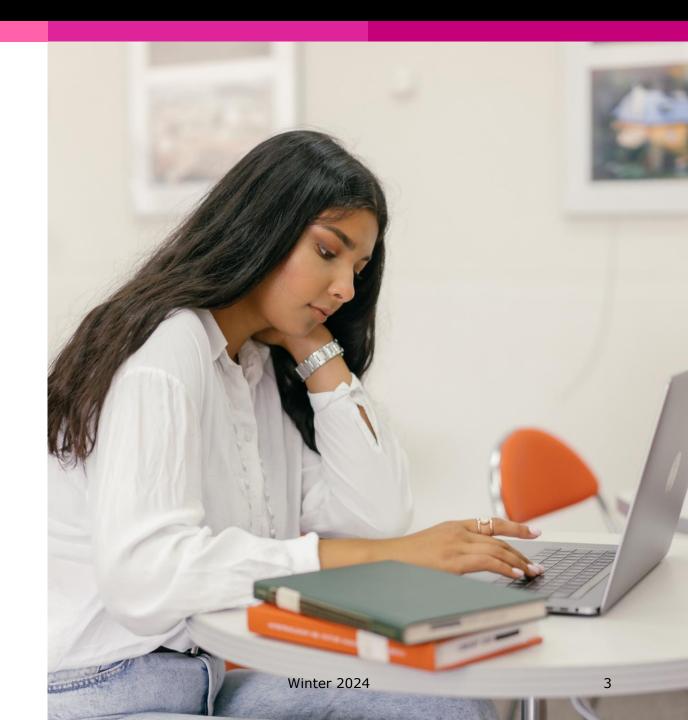
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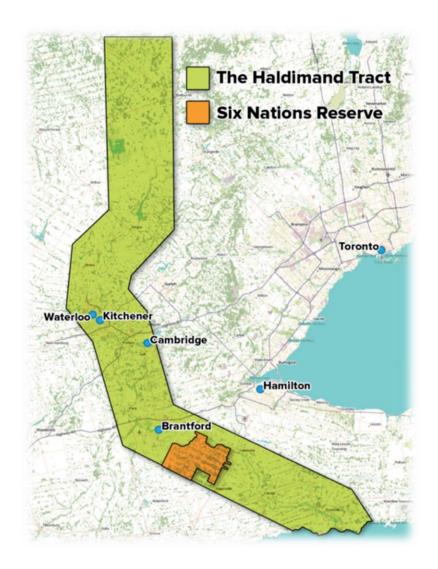




WHOSE LAND ARE WE ON?

The University of Waterloo acknowledges that much of our work takes place on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee peoples. Our main campus is situated on the Haldimand Tract, the land granted to the Six Nations that includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. Our active work toward reconciliation takes place across our campuses through research, learning, teaching, and community building, and is co-ordinated within the Office of Indigenous Relations.

Office of Indigenous Relations







WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT TODAY?

- Important dates
- Your first work term credit options
- Panel: Myth busting
- Q & A
- Supports and resources*

*Slides will be sent to you later



CYCLE 2 IMPORTANT DATES

We are here!

Posting #1 Jobs Open	Apps Due	Posting #2 Jobs Open	Apps Due
Feb 10-16	Feb 16 (11:59 p.m.)	Feb 17-27	Feb 27 (9 a.m.)

Interview	Employer	Student	Match
Period	Rankings	Rankings Due	Results
Feb 28-	March 7	March 8	March 8 by end of day
March 6	at 2:00pm	at 2:00pm	

Learn more: Co-operative Education Important Dates

LAST DAY TO FIND WORK



- There is still **lots of time** to find a co-op job!
- Normal to go through multiple Cycles before being hired
 - June 10 to secure employment for a standard co-op credit.
 - **July 8** to secure employment for a **flexible** term co-op credit.

Standard vs. flexible requirements **here**.

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FIRST WORK TERM CREDIT OPTIONS

WATERLOOWORKS

- Find a pre-approved job through the WaterlooWorks Co-op job board
- Earn a standard work term credit

ARRANGE OWN JOB

- Find a job on an external job board or through your networks
- Earn a **standard OR flexible work term credit**

WE ACCELERATE

- Earn an unpaid,
 flexible work term credit
 through WEA
 - Develop in-demand skills through content provided by industry collaborators and team-based project experiences

WaterlooWorks Help

AOJ process info

More about WEA



SEARCHING FOR WORK: PANEL



Panelists

Zahra Ben Sabeur Tobar - 3A Pure Mathematics

- WT1 Faculty of Math Women in Computer Science Events Coordinator
- WT2 (AOJ) Ceridian Canada Project Associate Intern
- WT3 Faculty of Math Math Circles Assist

Michael Zhang - 3B Combinatorics and Optimization

- WT1 WE Accelerate
- WT 2 and WT3 Faculty of Math Math Tutoring Centre Coordinator
- WT4 Faculty of Math Instructional Support Coordinator



Panelists

Cassandra Brajuka - 3A Applied Mathematics

- WT1 The RPM Group Lead Generation Rep
- WT2 Waterloo District School Board Tutor
- WT3 and WT4 Math Tutoring Centre Coordinator/Tutor

Krishna Patel - 4A Statistics

- WT1 Mathnasium Math Tutor
- WT2 Sun life Financial Actuarial Co-op
- WT 3 and WT 4 AON plc Actuarial Analyst (Reinsurance)



Myth: "My first co-op job will determine the rest of my career"

Reframe: "My first job is a great opportunity to develop transferable skills and learn what I like and don't like!"

1/5

Myth: "I don't have enough experience to get the co-op job I want"

Reframe: "I have developed relevant skills through school and life experiences. Even if I only meet ~50% of the job requirements, I should apply!"

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Myth: "The only good jobs are at big name companies"

Reframe: "Working at a smaller org can expose me to a lot of new learning experiences"

3/5

Myth: "WE Accelerate program will reflect poorly on my work term record"

Reframe: "WEA will help me get better quality jobs in the future"

4/5

Myth: "I'm new to the workforce so I don't have a professional network."

Reframe: "Everyone I already know– family, friends, former coworkers – is part of my network and they can help me meet my career goals."

5/5

QUESTIONS?

Your turn!

SUPPORTS & RESOURCES

JOB SEARCH RESOURCES

SCIENCE CO-OP JOB IDEAS

Get inspired!

- Where Co-op Students
 Work Tool (by faculty, program, work term level)
- <u>List of typical Co-op Jobs</u> for Science

WW JOB SEARCH

Check out <u>WaterlooWorks</u> <u>Help</u>, your go-to resource for:

- •Navigating the <u>Hire Waterloo Co-op job</u> <u>board</u>
- •Refining your job search by keyword or program



ARRANGING YOUR OWN JOB RESOURCES

AOJ JOB SEARCH PROCESS

Check out the <u>AOJ Job Search</u> Guide:

- Standard vs. flexible work term credit
- Letter of Introduction
- Tips for how to network / use external job boards

AOJ JOB BOARDS

External:

- LinkedIn Jobs
- Indeed Canada
- Job Bank
- Overseas Jobs
- <u>Eluta</u>
- Glassdoor

On WaterlooWorks

- Hire Waterloo: Other
- External Job Boards



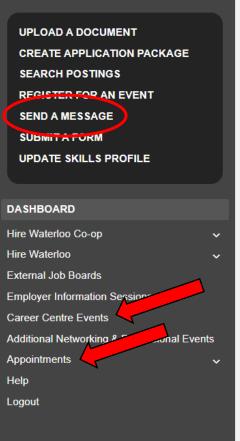
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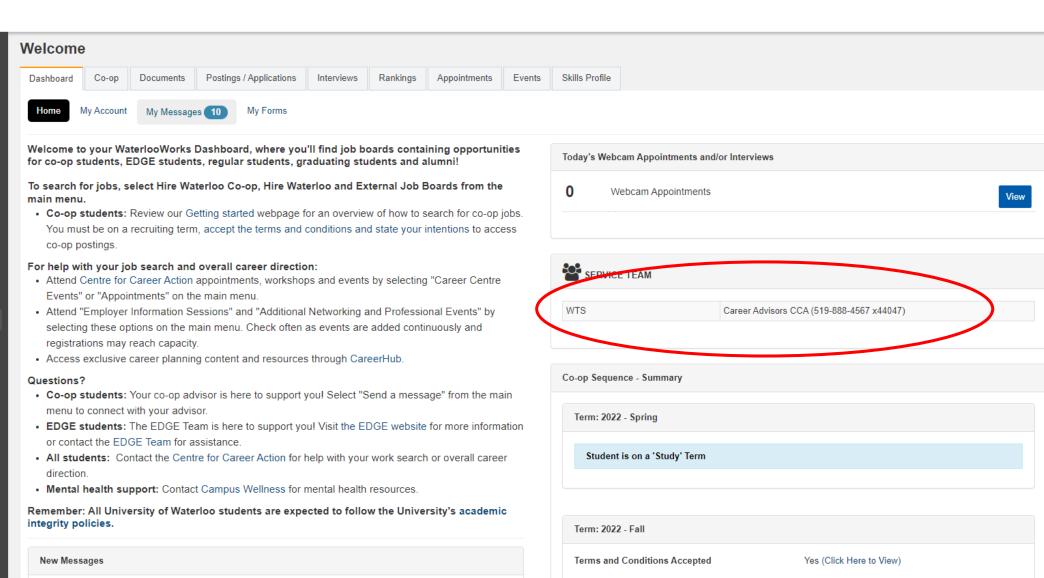
SUPPORT	HOW TO ACCESS	TOPICS
Co-op consult drop-ins: 9:30 a.m 2:30 p.m. Mon-Fri	Via <u>live chat</u> or 519-888-4047	Navigating the co-op process
1:1 appointments & same-day drop-ins	Book online <u>here</u>	Job Search Tactics
Workshop or Event	Register on WaterlooWorks	Résumé Reviews Cover Letter Development Interview Prep Career Exploration
CareerHub Online	Login using WatIAM to access resources and templates	



CONNECTING WITH A CAREER ADVISOR







OTHER SUPPORTS

Co-Op Advisor



Co-op Sequence Course Selection Co-op Degree Requirements

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Immigration Consultant



Co-op Work Permits
Study Permit
Immigration admin

Find an Immigration
Consultant

Mental Health Counsellor



- <u>Counselling Services</u>
- Here 24/7
- <u>EmpowerMe</u>

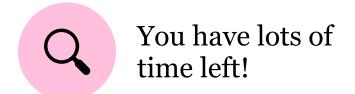
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KEY TAKEAWAYS





Add important dates to your calendar



You're not alone. We're here to help!



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