WHEN TO MAKE IT WIL

START HERE

Are you an instructor who can embrace creativity and manage a bit of chaos in your classroom?

YES

Would you be willing to invest additional time in designing your course and managing the WIL experience, even though the exact amount of time required cannot be predetermined?

NO

If you're not feeling prepared and want to explore further, consider Creating a Teacher Dossier.

YES

Would you be willing to make time and space in your course to include a real-world project?

NO

If you're uncertain how this may fit with your teaching philosophy, you may wish to explore: CTE Self-serve resource, CTE Workshop: Teaching Dossiers and

YES

Is it possible to integrate a WIL component in your course or program without affecting the accreditation?

NO/UNSURE

If you don't currently have time for a WIL integration, consider incorporating an experiential learning experience.

YES

Is it possible to integrate a WIL component in your course or program without affecting the degree plan, recommended sequence of courses or credit hours?

NO/UNSURE

It will be important for you to have a conversation with your chair before you move forward.

YES

Do you believe it is important for your students to effectively transfer and apply theoretical concepts and principles from your course to real-world work experiences?

NO/UNSURE

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YES

Fantastic! It looks like a WIL experience is an excellent match for your course. Here's what your students can look forward to: Engaging with real-life challenges as part of their learning journey; Connecting academic concepts to broader life experiences; Building career readiness and professional skills; Enhancing problem-solving abilities, collaborative skills, and industry specific knowledge. To begin creating an integrated and impactful learning experience, a good starting point is the WIL intended learning outcomes.

NO

Opportunities to apply concepts to real world work experiences is the core of WIL. If you're surprised by the integration of career within a course, there are a lot of resources to help: CCD, WatCV.

Visit WIL Decision Tree to access the interactive quiz.