Within 1 month after completion of one work term (or an extended 8-month work term with the same employer) on an approved job OR 2 months prior to completing their degree requirements (whichever is sooner), the student submits this document, including their Work Term Report in one file to this [**dropbox**](https://uwaterloo.ca/data-science/mdsai-co-op-work-report-dropbox).

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| Name: Click to enter first and last name | Work term: E.g., Spring 2020 |
| Student ID: Click to enter ID. | Date submitted: MM/DD/YYYY |

Your co-op work report should not include any material that is deemed confidential by your employer. It does not have to discuss original research or relate to a new technical discovery. You can do one of the following:

* Choose a topic, discuss the underlying problem encountered on your co-op term, your approach to solving the problem, and the progress you made in solving it. You should identify an analytic component, compare and evaluate several methods or techniques. You can discuss advantages and disadvantages of different approaches in the report.
* Reflect on specific ways that your co-op working experience has helped you in becoming a better data scientist. What new understanding about which specific aspects of the data science have you gained through your work experience? How has the work experience changed your views on data science? How has the work experience changed your assessment of your skills to work in the data science industry? What are some skills that you need to improve most and why? Connect your reflection to specific experiences and events encountered on your co-op term.

In addition, in concrete terms, describe how the courses you have taken so far in the MDSAI program at the University of Waterloo relate to your work. The topic and reflection should be based on your co-op job experience.

A report is unacceptable if it is simply a users’ guide or other documentation, or if you simply summarize your work term tasks. Your report should contain conclusions, which summarize key points derived from the work experience.

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Insert co-op work term report below