

# WATERLOO

## MASTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE

FOR  
**EMPLOYERS**



### Why Hire Master of Public Service (MPS) Co-op Students?

The University of Waterloo's unique, multidisciplinary MPS program prepares students from different undergraduate backgrounds to develop public policies, administer programs, and deliver services to Canadians. With a solid academic foundation and a range of transferable skills, applicable to all levels of government, MPS students are ready to hit the ground running.

#### Knowledge

Ten advanced graduate courses equip MPS students with a strong understanding of Canadian public administration, an awareness of current public issues, an appreciation of the values and principles that guide the work of public servants, and expertise in relevant styles of writing, such as briefing notes, policy papers, and Cabinet submissions.

In the final academic term, student research teams investigate a pressing public issue and produce a professional policy report.

#### Skills

- » critical thinking and analysis
- » project management
- » problem-solving and decision-making
- » social awareness
- » leadership and management
- » public policy development
- » principles of economics
- » cost/benefit analysis
- » working effectively in diverse, mixed teams
- » communication styles and media awareness

#### MASTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM SEQUENCE

	FALL (SEPT.-DEC.)	WINTER (JAN.-APR.)	SPRING/SUMMER (MAY-AUG.)
<b>Year 1</b>	Courses	Courses	Work term
<b>Year 2</b>	Work term	Team project*	

\*Some students may be available for a work term beginning in Winter.

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“The combination of an exciting work environment and supportive co-workers is what makes this position a unique and valuable experience. When I was offered an extension on my position for the full 8 months, I jumped on the opportunity. I am excited to stay with the ministry and pursue some longer-term projects.”

– COHEN, ONTARIO MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION



### MPS Co-op Students @ Work

MPS students have successfully served at the federal, provincial and municipal level. Feedback from both employers and students is very positive - with many co-op positions leading to full-time employment.

#### Examples:

- » **Advocacy Officer**, Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada
- » **Assistant Environmental Planner**, City of Hamilton
- » **Business Analyst**, Identity, Access & Privacy, eHealth Ontario
- » **Economic Development Intern**, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
- » **Financial Officer**, Ontario Ministry of Finance
- » **Junior Policy Analyst**, Public Works and Government Services Canada
- » **Junior Research and Policy Analyst**, City of Waterloo
- » **Policy Intern**, CAO office, City of Sudbury
- » **Project Analyst**, University Health Network
- » **Research Officer**, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

### Hire Waterloo MPS Co-op Students

To advertise a co-op position, visit Waterloo’s Co-operative Education website, [hire.uwaterloo.ca](http://hire.uwaterloo.ca), and complete an online **Job Registration Form** - under ‘Disciplines of Interest’, scroll to ‘MASTERS-Public Service’. This website also provides detailed information for prospective employers about typical rates of pay, the interview process, and candidate selection.

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