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Co-op Scholarship Program

Create Your Career

The Co-op Program is the career development scholarship for high potential undergraduate students. It offers industry training, leadership and professional development, networking opportunities, mentoring and financial support of \$18,200 p.a.¹ tax free for four years.²

Apply now at
coop.unsw.edu.au



What is the UNSW Co-op Program?

Career Development Scholarships in:

- Business
- Engineering
- Science

Australia's leading companies take part in the training and professional development of some of the nation's best and brightest students with a view to recruiting high-potential young professionals.

The Co-op scholar experience

Up to 18 months of relevant industry experience with multiple companies during your degree not only provides invaluable insight into the real world of work in your chosen profession but also puts Co-op scholars ahead of the competition when it comes to graduate recruitment.

Leadership and professional development training through camps and interactive workshops, enhances your skills in leadership, teamwork, communication and develops your ability to transition and operate effectively in the workplace. These sessions are presented in a way that you will find challenging, practical, fun and social.

Mentoring and support is offered throughout the program. There is a large support network, assisting your transition to university and enhancing your academic and career pursuits. You will also be partnered with a Co-op alumnus prior to undertaking your first placement to help you make the most of the experience.

Career planning will help you identify your direction and the skills/attributes needed to reach your goals.

Stacks of Co-op events help you create **professional and social networks**. Networking is not only an important element in graduate recruitment and career development, but also in making the most of university life. Talk to a variety of employers through a range of events and build professional networks that can develop and last your entire career. Regular Co-op social gatherings encourage you to get to know peers from all disciplines and also keep in touch with the Co-op team.

The Co-op community of scholars is a close knit group and offers great peer support throughout the challenges of study, work placements and into graduate employment. You can also choose to build an international exchange into your degree and/or in your final year, apply for one of the coveted Co-op Global Policy scholarships, expanding your **global network** and perspective.

After gaining extensive work experience via the program, Co-op scholars are highly sought-after by our sponsors for graduate recruitment.

Are there other scholarships offered at UNSW?

A range of UNSW scholarships are available to students from first year and right through their university career. To identify scholarships relevant to you, go to scholarships.unsw.edu.au and use the search function to find a scholarship in your area of interest or that matches your circumstances.

Applications for UNSW Co-op Program open online at coop.unsw.edu.au in May and close 28th September. Most other high school leaver scholarships open in June. Please note Rural Engineering scholarship applications are no longer via the Co-op application portal.

Find out more

For detailed program information, study schedules and sponsor lists visit coop.unsw.edu.au. Please check the website for updates on programs available for application.

Insights from our NEW Co-op scholars

"My key tip to high school students would be to think about your goals and your motivations, and how you want to communicate those to someone else. There are many high achieving and well rounded students out there – but very few people can understand and communicate their own values and their own goals with clarity to other people."

Victor Tsang Data Science & Decisions 2018

For more on the Co-op scholar experience go to coop.unsw.edu.au/experience





Key Dates for 2018

1 May



Applications open

29 – 31 May



Create Your Career week

5 June



Scholarships & Co-op Info Evening

28 September



Applications close

9 November



Interview offer notification

22 November



Interview Briefing Day

23 November



Interviews

N.B. Conditional offers will be released online the week prior to ATAR release date in NSW.

Go online for detailed program information, study schedules, sponsor lists and FAQs at coop.unsw.edu.au.

Application Questions

Program preferences:

You can select up to three programs, but only select programs you have a serious interest in studying. Explain what it is that most attracts you to the UNSW Co-op Program and the academic field(s) that you have chosen?

750 character limit

1. Co-curricular activities:

You will be asked to select from a drop down list of activities. Activities not listed may be added.

1000 character limit

2. Learnings:

Select one or two activities from either list in Question 1 and tell us the most important things you gained or learned from these activities. Do not just provide a list of dot points.

1000 character limit

3. Personal development:

What do you regard as your key strengths and areas for improvement?

1000 character limit

4. Leadership and team work:

Tell us about a situation where you were effective as a leader and/or as a team player, e.g. describe how you significantly influenced others, or contributed to the effective operation/successful outcome of a situation or team.

1000 character limit

5. Decision making or problem solving:

Drawing on your experience or involvement in a part-time job, community or school activity, describe how you overcame a challenging situation and what you learnt from the experience.

1000 character limit

6. Significant achievement or project:

Describe an achievement in the workplace and/or designing, building, programming or creating something. Your example might relate to recent work experience, a part time job or a major non-school based project you have undertaken. You might choose to highlight your creativity; the ability to see alternatives; come up with many varied or original ideas; or willingness to try/learn new things

1250 character limit

7. After graduation:

What sort of graduate position do you imagine yourself in after university?

750 character limit

8. Personal qualities:

Why should you be selected as a UNSW Co-op Program scholar? Describe the personal qualities and values that differentiate you and that you would bring to the UNSW Co-op Program.

1000 character limit

Programs³

Business

Accounting & Business Management
Actuarial Studies
Business Information Systems
Commerce Information Systems
Finance & Banking
Marketing

Engineering

Chemical Engineering
Civil & Environmental Engineering
Computer Science
Electrical Engineering & Telecommunications
Industrial Chemistry
Mechanical Engineering
Mining Engineering
Petroleum Engineering
Photovoltaics & Renewable Energy
Software Engineering

Science

Advanced Mathematics
Data Science & Decisions
Materials Science & Engineering

1. Mining scholars should refer to the website for program specific information.
2. Scholars in 5 year programs can apply for a competitive Honours year scholarship.
3. Not all programs offered every year. Please refer to the website for a list of programs on offer.

Do YOU have what it takes to be a Co-op scholar?

It's not just about the marks!

Co-op scholars:

- ✓ make a significant contribution to school or community
- ✓ show initiative and leadership
- ✓ communicate well
- ✓ enjoy working with other people
- ✓ want to be active within the university and Co-op community
- ✓ have a real and genuine interest in a career in industry or a government enterprise in their chosen program
- ✓ are ambitious and keen to contribute
- ✓ care about what is happening in the community, country and the world at large.

If this sounds like you, and you are an Australian or NZ citizen or permanent resident we strongly encourage you to apply.

The Co-op Program presents scholars with unique experiences to learn and grow. This program is for students who thrive on challenges, appreciate the opportunities presented to them, make the most of every situation and commit to seeing things through to the end.

ATAR requirement

For a 2018 high school leaver entering the program the minimum academic requirement is an ATAR of 96 (or equivalent), **OR** entry into the chosen degree program at UNSW, whichever is the higher. **No adjustment factors (except EAS) will be considered for this requirement.** Anyone expecting an ATAR above 90 should consider applying because you could be pleasantly surprised by your results. If taking a gap year, students need to reapply in 2019 and meet 2020 entry requirements.

UAC Codes

To accept a Co-op Scholarship you will need to ensure that you gain entry into the corresponding single degree program (e.g. entry into the Bachelor of Actuarial Studies (Co-op) is required for an offer in the Co-op Actuarial Studies Program), check the website for UAC codes. You will not be able to accept your scholarship through the flexible first year engineering program or a combined degree program.

Double majors and dual degrees

Many double majors are possible under the Co-op Program, however, if during your studies you wish to explore undertaking a dual degree, you can discuss the possibility with the Co-op team. If you can demonstrate strong academic achievement, fulfil all Co-op Scholarship requirements and gain sponsors' approval, it may be possible to undertake a dual degree whilst keeping a Co-op Scholarship. Please note that dual degrees with Law cannot be studied under the Co-op Program due to conflicts with the placement schedule.

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