

# Wentworth

## Co-ops & Careers

### Co-op Action Guide

We offer many resources and events to EQUIP you with the necessary tools to EVOLVE your skills and ultimately EXCEL in the industry of your choice.

Action Items	4-5 Months	3-4 Months	1-2 Months
<b>Before Your Co-op*</b> <i>(Italicized Items are Required to Receive Co-op Credit)</i> WITworks: database of co-ops, jobs, events ISS: International Student Services Leopardweb: registration platform WITwear: borrow clothing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Familiarize yourself with the Co-ops &amp; Careers resources</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Prepare a draft of your resume</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Submit Co-op Terms &amp; Conditions on WITworks</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Meet with your Co-op &amp; Career Advisor to gain WITworks access</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> International Students: talk with ISSE about CPT requirements or attend a Co-op &amp; CPT Information Session</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Register for COOP 2500 and attend Co-op Institute</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Begin to create a portfolio of completed work/projects</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Join professional and student organizations</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Identify companies with early application deadlines</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your Co-op &amp; Career Advisor to finalize your application materials</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Upload your resume to WITworks</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Set up email alerts on WITworks and other job boards for positions of interest</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Begin applying for co-ops, customizing your application to each opportunity</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Schedule a mock interview with your Co-op &amp; Career Advisor</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Create list of references</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Register for your co-op semester on Leopardweb</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Make sure your interview attire fits, is clean and pressed or visit WITwear to borrow items</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Continue applying and interviewing</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Meet with Co-op &amp; Career Advisor if not getting interviews</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Send thank you notes 24 hours after an interview</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Review co-op offers</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Accept a co-op offer and notify any other employers with whom you have interviewed to withdraw your candidacy</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Once you accept a co-op offer you MUST STOP applying and interviewing</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Report your hire on WITworks</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <i>International Students: complete all CPT paperwork, get it signed by your Co-op &amp; Career Advisor, and submit it to ISSE</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Thank your references and let them know you accepted a co-op</li> </ul>
<b>During Your Co-op</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Create work plan with supervisor outlining your responsibilities &amp; addressing your learning goals</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Meet regularly with your supervisor about your progress</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Network with people across the organization and conduct informational interviews</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Create a portfolio of accomplishments, deliverables, skills acquired or honed, and recognition</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> At the end of your co-op, ask for a LinkedIn recommendation</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <i>To ensure a passing grade: complete your self-evaluation, ensure that your employer evaluation is completed, and adhere to requirements outlined in the Terms &amp; Conditions</i></li> </ul>		
<b>Resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://coopsandcareers.wit.edu/">https://coopsandcareers.wit.edu/</a> has valuable information</li> <li>• Co-op Handbook</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your dedicated Co-op &amp; Career Advisor</li> <li>• Drop-in hours</li> <li>• WITwear</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WITworks</li> <li>• Co-op Institute class</li> <li>• Co-ops &amp; Careers blog</li> </ul>
<b>Events</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-op &amp; Career Fairs</li> <li>• On-Campus Recruiting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Industry networking events</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employer Information sessions</li> <li>• Employer-in-Residence</li> </ul>
Visit WITworks for more information and a schedule of events.			