Become an Intern

Queen's Undergraduate Internship Program (QUIP)

• Experience a 12-16 month paid, full-time internship.
• Graduate with “Professional Internship” on your degree.
• Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get experience.

Potential Internship Fields

- Biotechnology
- Business
- Communications
- Data Analysis
- Education and Training
- Electrical Engineering
- Environment and Sustainability
- Event Planning
- Finance
- Geographic Information Systems
- Health and Safety
- Human Resources
- Information Management
- Marketing and Sales
- Mining
- Pharmaceuticals
- Policy Development
- Power Generation
- Project Management
- Regulatory Affairs
- Research and Development
- Security Intelligence
- Software Development
- Technical Writing
- Transportation Planning
- Urban Design

What Students Say

Over my Communications and Projects internship, I was able to oversee projects from start to finish, using time management, communication and organizational skills. I developed my ability to take initiative and even got to help train a new intern integrating into their role. I have applied the communication skills and interdisciplinary ideologies I study in the classroom to the ‘real world’. I'm now returning to my final year energized and ready to bring my skills and knowledge back to the classroom.

- Candice Pinto, Queen's University, Gender Studies

My QUIP experience has helped me better understand what it means to be a professional engineer. I have had the opportunity to understand how engineering works day-to-day, but also learn more about an engineer's role in society. I feel more confident in my technical and professional abilities, and more confident in my future career. Taking on a QUIP internship has given me confidence to create a positive change in the world through engineering and has been one of the best choices that I have made during my Queen's engineering education.

- Emma Howard, Neptec Technologies Corporation, Engineering Physics

FIND OUT MORE:
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The Queen's Undergraduate Internship Program (QUIP) provides you with the opportunity to participate in a 12-16 month work experience. QUIP internships are paid, professionally supervised, career-related positions designed to offer second or third year students the opportunity to learn about current advances, practices and technologies in various sectors and industries.

The program is open to domestic and international undergraduate students in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, Faculty of Arts and Science (BAH and BScH degree programs), School of Computing, and Faculty of Health Sciences (BHSc).

**WHAT IS QUIP?**

**TYPICAL WORK TERMS**

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- 12 Months (Sep 1 to Aug 31)
- 12 Months (Jan 1 to Dec 31)
- 16 Months (May 1 to Aug 31)
- 12 Months (May 1 to Apr 30)

**HOW DO I FIND AN INTERNSHIP?**

We work directly with employers to post their internship positions to the QUIP online job board. You can apply to these postings or work with an Internship Coordinator to pursue other eligible opportunities outside the QUIP Job Board.

**HOW DO I REGISTER?**

Go to the Career Services Website for full instructions. You will get permission from your department, and then complete a registration form on MyCareer.

**DOES QUEEN’S HAVE CO-OP?**

At Queen's, we call it an internship. Our internship program offers a 12-16 month, paid, full-time work term typically after second or third year. Some advantages are:

1. You have more time to make a meaningful contribution and learn in-depth skills compared to a 4-month term.
2. If you find an internship outside of the Kingston area, you only need to move one time, as opposed to moving multiple times for a series of positions.
3. You complete only one internship search, as opposed to searching for multiple short-term positions.

**WHO GETS INTERNSHIPS?**

We offer support to students searching for internships through workshops, drop-in advising, and one-on-one appointments. Students who commit to the search and put in the effort will increase their chances of securing an internship.

**WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS?**

There are many jobs in different fields. If you want to find something specific that we don't have postings for yet, we will work with you to find a suitable opportunity.

**WHEN SHOULD I GO?**

Students typically participate after second or third year. You will then return to your studies at Queen's to complete your final academic requirements and apply your new workplace knowledge and skills.

**WHERE CAN I GO?**

There are positions at Queen's and other employers in Kingston, across Ontario and Canada. You can also do an internship internationally.