

## **Apprenticeships, Internships, and Co-ops: What are these and what is the big deal, anyway?**

Apprenticeship: A combination of on the job training and related classroom instruction in which you'll learn the practical and theoretical aspects of a highly skilled occupation

- Provides classroom and hands-on experience to learn a specific trade

Internship: Allows students the opportunity to gain work experience in industry and/or the government

Co-op (Cooperative Education): A carefully organized a supervised program or experiential learning in which the participating student enhances his/her education by alternating periods of study with periods of meaningful work

When should I start looking for internships, Co-ops, and Apprenticeships?

Alternatives?

Summer Job (volunteer or paid basis)