

WHEN TO PLAN FOR AN INTERNSHIP/COOPERATIVE EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

Because practical work experience is extremely important before graduation, a student is encouraged to begin considering internship possibilities early, **ideally in their sophomore year**, so that the student can research opportunities before the junior year, at which time the student becomes eligible for an internship or cooperative education experience. It is recommended that a student begin to actively research **internships at least one semester before that actual internship is to take place.**