STUDENTS OPPORTUNITIES

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General

The Student Career Experience Program (SCEP) commonly referred to as the Co-op Program, offers valuable work experience directly related to your academic field of study. It provides formal periods of work and study while you are attending school. It requires a commitment by you, your school, and the employing federal agency. You may be eligible for permanent employment under this component after successfully completing your education and meeting work requirements.

- Commonly referred to as the work/study or Co-op Program
- Arranged schedule of school and work to meet minimum of work hours prior to graduation
- Provides high school, undergraduate, and graduate students experience directly related to their educational program and career goals
- Academic credit for work experience
- Paid position

Who Qualifies?

- Must be enrolled in an accredited educational institution at least half-time and pursuing a degree or certificate
- Must be enrolled in co-op program at education institute
- USITC, the educational institution, and student agree on a schedule combining periods of school and work to ensure that the student will work the minimum hours required prior to graduation, or other conversion provisions
- The minimum age allowed for Federal employment is 16

Benefits

- Annual and sick leave
- Coverage by federal retirement system
- May be eligible for federal life and health insurance

How to Apply

1. Contact your educational institution’s Cooperative Education Program Office for more information and referral to USITC, and THEN
2. Submit application for USITC review. You will be contacted if being considered for employment.

Other Related Websites to Visit:

http://www.opm.gov/employ/students/index.asp

http://www.students.gov/STUGOVWebApp/index.jsp

http://jobsearch.studentjobs.gov/